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ALLIED FORCES TAKE FOUR MORE VILLAGES IN SOUTHERN SERBIA

Teutonic Lines Have Been Seriously Broken, Both East and West of the Cerna River.

BERLIN ADMITS RETIREMENT

Austro-Germans Force Further Retirement of Rumanians in Transylvania Theatre.

CAPTURE 1,200 PRISONERS

Bombardments Along Entire Front in Russia and Galicia.

In the Macedonia theatre the Entente troops continue to press the Teutonic allies in the Cerna river region, and, according to the Serbian war office, have seriously broken their line, both east and west of the Cerna, southeast of Monastir, capturing four additional villages east of the river and on the western side, driving them back from several additional points toward Monastir.

Berlin Admits Retirement.

Berlin admits that in the Cerna region the Bulgarian-German forces have left old and occupied newly prepared positions. To the east the British have taken the town of Karakaska, on the east side of Lake Tahinos.

The Austro-German armies in the Transylvania theatre in the Alt and Jiul valleys have forced a further retirement of the Rumanians and also have made progress in the Rothenthurm and Szurduk pass regions, taking 1,200 prisoners. On the west Moldavia front Russian attacks east of the Putna valley were put down by the Teutonic Allies, as also was an offensive in the vicinity of the Oitus pass.

Petrograd Claims Success.

While Berlin asserts that there have been only minor engagements in Dobrudja, Petrograd reports that the Russians nave made further progress southward and that the Teutonic Allies continue to retreat, burning villages behind them. Denial is made by Berlin of the assertions that the Rumanians have captured the town of Bonascio, on the Danube.

Bombardments are taking place along the entire front in Russia and Galicia, according to the Petrograd war office. Berlin report a repulse of a Russian attack southeast of Riga.

Both Sides Claim Success.

The situation east of Gorizia is made somewhat obscure by the variant claims of the Vienna and Rome war offices, both of which recorded successes for their respective armies. Vienna asserts that the Austrians have captured another Italian trench in this district, together with 60 prisoners and two machine guns while Rome records the re occupation of trenches evacuated by the Italians Tuesday.

In the Ancre Region.

In the Ancre region of France, where since Monday British have made notable gains over the Germans, the fighting apparently has lessened greatly in violence, the latest British communication reporting only bombardments by the Germans of their newly-won front to the north of the stream. An additional six officers and 297 men have been made prisoner by the British in this region during the last 24 hours.

To the southeast at Saillisel, where the Germans had occupied a group of houses northeast of the village, the French now have driven them out in a counter attack, according to the French official communication.

On the remainder of the front in France, aspecially in the region of Ablaincourt and between Le Sars and Guedecourt, there were violent bombardments of British and French positions by the Germans, while the French hammered the German front in the Souchez and Armentieres sectors.

PARRAL MERCHANT, HIS WIFE AND BABY KILLED AT PARRAL

Report is Received by Parral Mining Company at El Paso.

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 16.—Theodore Haemuller, a merchant of Parral, Chihuahua, together with his wife and baby, were killed by Villa bandits when Villa occupied Parral, a report received here by Parral Mining Company states. Hoemuller is said to be a German subject.

According to the report made to the mining company by a Chinese refugee from Parral Hoemuller's execution was ordered because he had permitted a display of 18 pairs of ears cut from Carranza soldiers, together with an insulting letter against Villa, to be placed in the window of his store in Parral.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 16.—Karl Morris, of Oklahoma, won over Battling Levinsky, of New York, at the end of their 15-round match here tonight. The men are heavy weights.

NAVY EFFICIENCY DEPENDS UPON OIL

Assistant Secretary Roosevelt Defines Its Many Advantages as Fuel for Warships.

IS FAR SUPERIOR TO COAL

Paper Read Before Mining Congress Says Navy's Life is at Stake in Fight for Control of California Oil Reserves.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—The life of the United States Navy is at stake in the fight to retain government control of the California petroleum reserves, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt asserted in a paper read here tonight at the closing session of the annual convention of the American Mining Congress.

"It may be set down as a definite conclusion," said the paper, "that the navy cannot revert to coal burning vessels without enormous loss of efficiency, and furthermore the navy will not so revert."

The article is the Navy Department's opening attack in the renewal of the fight in Congress over the Phelan amendment to the General Oil Land bill designed to protect the claims of California operators. Navy officials have insisted that the policy of building oil burning ships could not be carried out if the amendment prevailed and Secretary Daniels appealed directly to President Wilson when action seemed imminent during the last session of Congress.

Mr. Roosevelt's paper declared that oil fuel for the navy meant increased speed and cruising radius, control of smoke for smoke screens, reduced fire room forces by 55 per cent, re-fueling at sea with an increased efficiency of 25 per cent; ability to sustain maximum speed for long periods of time without clogging furnaces; flexibility in speed, and, finally, greater safety from submarines as in modern American ships the fuel oil is disposed along the bottom to cushion the blow of exploding torpedoes.

The 35-knot battle cruisers, scouts and destroyers authorized by Congress could not be built, the paper asserted, if coal fuel was to be employed.

"It is estimated," the paper continued, "that the navy should have on hand in time of peace storage tanks capable of holding a full two years' supply for the fleet in war time. For our present needs, we should have probably 2,000,000 barrels so stored. Ten years hence we ought to have 20,000,000 barrels."

The navy burns today in time of peace about 842,000 barrels a year, and if battleships are to be replaced as planned after 20 years service, the paper stated, the annual consumption would rise to 10,237,000 barrels in ten years.

Mr. Roosevelt said the navy was content that every justifiable claim against the reserved lands should be compensated, "but they must cease to remove oil from these lands."

FIVE REGIMENTS ARE ORDERED FROM BORDER

First South Carolina Among Those to Return Home.

War Department Says the Order Does Not Indicate a Change in Policy Nor Mean a General Withdrawal of Troops.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Five National Guard regiments were ordered home from the Mexican border today. They are the First regiment of South Carolina, Seventh New York, Third Indiana, Third Wisconsin and Third Minnesota.

In a statement announcing the order, the War Department said it was in continuation of the policy announced some time ago to gradually withdraw National Guard regiments from the border as conditions permit and in accordance with the recommendations of General Funston these regiments have been ordered home.

War Department officials said the order did not indicate any change in policy or general withdrawal of Guardsmen from the border and had no relation to the proceedings of the joint conference at Atlantic City.

Approximately 100,000 National Guardsmen will remain on the border when these five regiments, with a total strength of about 6,000, have been withdrawn. The regiments will start home as soon as transportation facilities will permit, and all probably will be at their state muster points by Thanksgiving.

CABRERA REFUSES TO BE PERSUADED

All Efforts to Convince Him of the Advisability of Endorsing Border Plan Fail.

OPTIMISM IS DISAPPEARING

Two Other Mexican Members of Joint Commission Again Offer to Support the Plan—Hope Not Altogether Lost.

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 13.—All efforts on the American representatives on the Mexican-American joint commission to persuade Luis Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican representation, to abandon his opposition to the plan of border control approved in general by his colleagues, failed today. The other members of the commission had not lost hope tonight and the conference will be continued but there was absent the note of outimism which characterized the close of the sessions yesterday.

Mr. Cabrera met with the commission today for the first time since Tuesday. At that time, he bitterly opposed the agreement sanctioned by Ignacio Bonillas and Alberto J. Pani, the other Mexican representatives, and while he was out of the city yesterday Mr. Bonillas and Mr. Pani again offered their support to the plan. Before they left their room tonight after a long session, the commissioners agreed that they would say nothing regarding today's talk.

It became known, however, that virtually the entire day was spent in argument calculated to convince Mr. Cabrera of the advisability of endorsing the plan and to make clear to him the danger in which continued opposition might place his government. Mr. Cabrera was ready with counter suggestions which, it is understood, are regarded by the Americans as impossible for them to accept. All was ready for the formal preparation of an agreement.

LOAN OF $5,000,000 IS MADE TO CHINA BY CHICAGO BANK

Money Has Already Been Placed to Credit of Chinese Government.

Washington, Nov. 16.—A loan of $5,000,000 gold has been made by the Continental & Commercial National Bank, of Chicago, to the Chinese government through its minister here, Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo. The Chinese legation announced today that the money already had been placed to the credit of the Chinese government.

The contract was signed today by Dr. Koo and Arthur Reynolds, first vice president of the bank. The loan is for three years and is secured by the hypothecation of certain taxes. Legation officials did not go into details as to the purpose of the loan.

WILSON IS STILL HOLDING HIS LEAD IN CALIFORNIA.

Democratic Chairman Says There is No Chance on Earth to Change It.

San Francisco, Nov. 16.—O. K. Cushing, chairman of the Democratic state committee, declared today that the official count of votes in California for Republican and Democratic electors would show no material change.

"There is not a chance on earth that Wilson's lead will be affected," he said.

All but 12 counties have finished the official count.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE PROBABLE

Supplementary Report Made to Federation of Labor.

President to Receive Federation Delegates at White House Saturday Afternoon—Organizer to Go to Canal Zone.

Baltimore, Nov. 16.—A supplementary report on international labor relations was submitted today to the convention of the American Federation of Labor by the executive council, who were given authority to continue their efforts in behalf of an international labor conference after the war.

Among the suggestions contained in the report was one that the nations that band together in the league for peace should make us of both economic and military forces against a signatory nation which might go to war or engage in hostilites against another member of the league without having submitted its grievance in the proper way provided by the agreement.

President Gompers was notified late today that President Wilson would receive the Federation delegates at the White House at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. About 400 plan to go.

The convention today adopted a resolution instructing the Federation officers to deputize an organizer to proceed to the Canal Zone to investigate conditions affecting employes there.

NATIONAL CHAMBER WILL MEET TODAY

Railroad Situation from the Standpoint of Country's Business Will be Discussed.

MANY PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Government Officials Continue at Work on Defense of Adamson Law. Joint Congressional Committee Meets Monday.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Discussion of the railroad situation and particularly the Adamson eight-hour law, from the standpoint of the country's business interests, will begin here tomorrow at a special meeting of the National Council of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Many prominent speakers are on the programme.

The meeting was called for the purpose of having business interests affiliated with the chamber express their views just before the joint congressional committee appointed to investigate railroad questions, meets here next week. In addition to the Adamson law questions of strike prevention and wage fixing for common carrier employes by the Interstate Commerce Commission will be taken up.

Preparing Government's Defense.

Department of Justice attorneys today continued working on details of the government defense to railroad suits attacking the constitutionality of the Adamson Act. It is probable that an effort will be made to take one of the suits to the Supreme Court as quickly as possible so that a final determination that will be binding upon all lower Federal tribunals may be had about January 1, when the law, unless enjoined, becomes operative. So far as the department is informed the first suits set for hearing are those of the Santa Fe and the Union Pacific railroads at Kansas City, November 23.

Joint Committee Meets Monday.

The joint congressional committee announced today that its first hearing next Monday will be given over to state railway commissioners. These commissioners have been in session here for several days and sentiment has been strong in favor of appearing before the joint committee to fight action by Congress tending to take away their powers over interstate carriers. They oppose any increase in the Federal Commerce Commission or authorization for it to act in different parts of the country in sections. After the railway commissioners will come railway presidents, bankers, economic and representatives of such labor and industrial organizations as wish to be heard.

ACTION TAKEN BY VARIOUS RAILROADS IS ENDORSED

New York, Nov. 16.—Action of the railway companies throughout the country, in bringing suits to test the constitutionality of the Adamson law, was approved today by the National Founders Association at the closing session of its convention here. The association is composed of more than six hundred manufacturing corporations in all parts of the country. It was stated at the convention that this step is the first of a series of similar action to be taken by other industrial associations composing the newly organized National Industrial Conference Board.

RAILROAD STRIKE A REMOTE POSSIBILITY IN ANY EVENT

New York, Nov. 16.—George Sines, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, in a statement here today said a railroad strike is a remote possibility n omatter what happens to the Adamson 8-hour law. The Brotherhood leaders, he declared, have not ever considered calling a strike as an answer to the injunction proceedings by the railroads.

"I don't think there is anything in the constitution of any of the brotherhoods allowing a strike during injunction proceedings," said Mr. Sines. "If the Supreme Court decides the Adamson law is unconstitutional, the brotherhoods will be right back where they were before the law was passed."

One Ballot Box In W. Va. Is Missing

DISAPPEARED SUNDAY NIGHT FROM OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK— MANY REPORTS OF ILLEGAL PRACTICES.

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 16. — Thos. A. Null, candidate for Congress from the Fourth district on the Democratic ticket, tonight conceded his defeat by Harry C. Woodyard, Republican, and said he would not enter a contest.

Advices received here said that a ballot box is missing from the Clear Fork district of Wyoming county, and that Circuit Judge Damron has ordered an investigation.

The box disappeared Sunday night from the office of the county clerk at Pineville.

Further reports from various parts of the state of alleged illegal practices at the polls, together with the fact that judicial inquiries into the conduct of the election are to be instituted in many counties, today led state officials to predict that the inaugural ceremonies in West Virginia probably would be delayed. It was pointed out that in some of the counties where the Republicans alleged the most flagrant wrongs the making of court records together with possible appeals would take months.

Submarine Liner Deutschland Put to Sea Bound For Bremen At Early Hour This Morning

New London, Conn., Nov. 17.—The Deutschland, the German submarine which arrived here on November 1, slipped out of the harbor at an early hour today bound for Bremen. She left her pocket at the state pier at 1:30 o'clock and was towed down the harbor by two tugs.

Captain F. Hinch and other officials of the Eastern Forwarding Company were on one of the tugs. A launch filled with newspaper men followed the submersible down the Thames river to the mouth of the harbor.

Carries Over $2,000,000 Cargo.

The Deutschland passed the U. S. S. Columbia in the lower harbor at 1:45 o'clock. Several passing steamers and the Columbia turned their searchlights on the boat and blew their whistles.

While the manifest of the Deutschland's cargo has not yet been made public it is estimated that its approximate value is over $2,000,000. The cargo consists largely of crude rubber nickel, zinc and silver bars. She also carries several sacks of mail from the German embassy at Washington, some of which was said to be for the German Emperor.

The Deutschland arrived in New London on November 1 for her second trip to this country. Her first record-making voyage was to Baltimore last summer. On her trip here the craft brought a cargo estimated at $10,000,000. The freight was composed of dyestuffs, chemicals and medicines besides securities and bonds.

CONTRACTS BROKEN BY THE COAL OPERATORS?

This is Charged by Attorney for Louisville and Nashville.

Cites Instance Where One Operator Refused to Load Cars After They Had Been Supplied for a Utility Company.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 16.—Charges that coal operators are breaking contracts, made late today at hearings in progress here, promise to result in a widening of the scope of the investigation the Interstate Commerce Commission is making into the question surrounding the exchange and return of freight cars by the railroads of the country.

Counsel for the Louisville & Nashville railroad asserted that mines had refused to load cars furnished for the specific purpose of enabling them to meet contract requirements. In one instance, he said, three cars had been furnished to a mine for loading to a public utility company at Hamilton, Ohio. The operator, counsel declared, had refused to accept these cars for loading to that destination, though under contract to furnish the utility company with fuel. The attorney added that it was "believed the operator wished to take advantage of the high prices being offered on the open market."

This and other instances were cited, it was said, for the purpose of showing that to some extent the shortage of coal in certain sections of the North was the result of causes other than the inability of railroads to furnish sufficient cars to care for the output of the mines.

WILSON NOW IS LEADING BY 2,177 IN NEW MEXICO

Hughes is Still Ahead in Minnesota With 425 Majority.

Santa Fe, N. M., Nov. 16.—President Wilson today increased his lead in New Mexico 138 votes, according to changes in tabulations made by the receipt of official polls from Chavez, Roosevelt and Union counties. Only 14 precincts of the state's 638 now have not been heard from. The vote now stands Wilson 32,077; Hughes 29,900.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 16.—Charles E. Hughes' lead in Minnesota stood tonight at 425. With 57 counties tabulation sheets recorded at the state house, the unofficial records from the remaining 29 the total for Wilson was 178,813, for Hughes 179,238. Henepin and Ramsey county returns showed only slight changes.

Resta Wins Race At Santa Monica

BREAKS VANDERBILT RECORD AND TAKES CUP FOR SECOND SUCCESSIVE TIME— SETS NEW WORLD'S RECORD.

Santan Monica, Cal., Nov. 16.—Dario Resta won today the Vanderbilt cup for the second successive time, broke the Vanderbilt auto-road record by 11 miles an hour with an average speed of 86.98 miles an hour for the 294.035 miles; set a new world's road race records, and took the lead in the American Automobile Association's $13,500 contest for the title of "Champion Driver of America." Resta's time was 3:22:48.4 It was a race unmarred by injury or death to contestants.

The three who finished next in order to Resta were: Earl Cooper, second, 3:30:40.4; William Weightman, a Virginian ,third, 3:42:00.4; Clyde Roads, fourth, 3:54:45.4.

Vail and Patterson, the only other survivors of the terrific strain on cars, were flagged while running.

Nineteen drivers started the long grind over the 8,401 mile triangules course at noon. Resta, Aitken and Cooper fought for honors from the first while Weightman, little reckoned with before the race, came home third.

STILL NO AGREEMENT ON THE WARSHIP BIDS

Shipbuilders and Navy Officials Again in Conference.

Whether Electric Drive System Will be Installed is Not Finally Settled—Discussions May Continue Several Days.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Private ship builders and navy officials were in conference again today without reaching agreements regarding contracts for construction of 53 vessels of the 1917 building programme. With the exception of the four scout cruisers, the question of price is not involved, it is understood, the discussions having to do with modifications of contract stipulations proposed by the bidders.

Indications tonight were that the battleships included in the programme would be built, two by the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company and two by the New York Shipbuilding Company, their bids having been found most acceptable by the board which reviewed them.

Whether the steam or electric drive system, preferred by the navy, will be installed in the battleships have not been finally settled tonight. This aspect of the bids occupied the confrees today. The builders have submitted proposals to construct the hulls and other machinery of the ships, leaving it to the government to purchase and supply the electrical drive equipment similar to that being provided for the California, Tennessee and New Mexico. Navy officials want the builders to assume full responsibility for the ships and their machinery, making their agreements with the electrical equipment companies which also are represented at the conferences. It is understood the electrical companies have renewed their assurances that there will be no delay in deliveries. The discussions may continue several days longer.

MARGARET MARVIN SENTENCED

Woman, Formerly of Raleigh, Charged With Violating White Slave Act

Baltimore, Nov. 16.—Margaret Marvin, otherwise known as Bessie Clark, 18 years old, of Raleigh, N. C., was sentenced to two years in the Maryland penitentiary today for violating the white slave law. It was testified that she took Antoinette M. Fleischman, 15 years old, to Norfolk, Va., and induced her to lead an immoral life.

PROBING HIGH PRICES IN THE LARGER CITIES

Movement May Be Broadened Out By the Government Today

District Attorneys Directed Particularly to Examine Thoroughly into Suspected Combinations for Raising Prices.

Washington, November 16. — The investigation recently inaugurated by the Department of Justice into the soaring of prices of food, coal, and other necessities of life handled in interstate trade, is now in full swing in New York, Chicago, Pittsburg, San Francisco and other cities. Tomorrow the movement may take on a broader scope upon the return here of Chairman Hurley, president of the trade commission, who has announced that the commission may consider immediately whether to investigate the increased cost of food products.

If the commission takes action, the two investigations will be conducted separately.

District attorneys in the cities named and in some other of the more important population centers, have been directed particularly to examine thoroughly into any suspected concerted action of producers or dealers by combination or agreement to raise prices of articles crossing state lines and to institute prosecutions where warranted. So far, there have been no developments to announce.

BRITT SURPRISES CANVASSING BOARD

Secures Mandamus Requiring the Buncombe County Election Officials to Comply With Law.

OR SHOW CAUSE WHY NOT

Board Adjourns to Today Without Deciding Upon Weaver-Britt Controversy Over Unmarked Ballots—Hearing Monday.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 16.—On the complaint of Congressman James J. Britt, who claims re-election in the Tenth North Carolina district, by a majority of 13, and whose claim is disputed by the Democrats, Judge Thomas J. Shaw, holding court at Hendersonville, issued a mandamus this afternoon requiring the Buncombe county board of canvassers to comply with the law in the matter of certifying the returns on the congressional vote in this county, or show cause why it should not do so.

The hearing was set for November 20 before Judge W. J. Adams, at this city. The session of the board of canvassers, which had been called to certify the returns, adjourned until tomorrow morning immediately after the writ was served.

Taken by Surprise.

The action of Congressman Britt's attorneys was a complete surprise to the members of the canvassing board, who had adjourned this morning's session at noon until 4 o'clock, when it was expected a final decision would be reached.

The main question around which the legal controversy raged this morning was the counting or rejection of unmarked congressional ballots cast in the recent election. The Democrats presented what was termed "additional and supplemental returns" from five precincts of this county, these being unmarked ballots which had not been counted in the original returns. If accepted, these unmarked ballots would give Zebulon Weaver, Congressman Britt's Democratic opponent, 21 additional votes, making a majority of eight votes for the Democratic candidate. While this question was being argued counsel for Mr. Britt asked for an adjournment until 4 o'clock this afternoon and this request was granted.

Tom Settle Gets Busy.

Immediately following adjournment, Hon. Thomas Settle, attorney for Mr. Britt, left in an automobile for Hendersonville, 22 miles from this city, where Judge Thomas J. Shaw, of the Twelfth district, Superior court, was sitting. Judge Shaw, on representation of Mr. Settle, issued the writ of mandamus, which was served on the county board of canvassers as soon as it convened at 4 o'clock.

Adjournment until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning was then taken by the board.

Weaver Men's Argument.

The supporters of Mr. Weaver advance the argument that the unmarked congressional ballots of each party which were separate from other ballots, and which contained the name of only one candidate, should be counted because when the voter deposited the ballot he clearly indicated his intention to vote for the candidate whose name was on the ticket. In five precincts of this county there were 27 unmarked Weaver ballots and six Britt ballots deposited.

REPRESENTATIVE MARTIN WON BY A MAJORITY OF 99

Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 16.—Representative Whit P. Martin, Progressive, was re-elected congressman from the Third district over Wade Martin,, Democrat, on the face of complete official returns, according to an announcement tonight by Secretary of State Bailey. Whit Martin's vote was 6,481, Wade Martin's6,382, a majority for Whit Martin of 99.

APPARENTLY NO CHANGE IN SITUATION IN THE HOUSE

Washington, Nov. 16.—No change in the apparent political alignment of the 65th Congress has occurred thus far as a result of uncompleted canvasses of the votes in close districts.

Democratic leaders who had hoped to gain one member in the Third Louisiana district were disappointed tonight when announcement was made of complete official returns showing that Whit P. Martin, Progressive, had been elected over Wade Martin, by 99 votes.

Hopes of the Democrats for a gain of one vote in Michigan and possibly two in Minnesota has not been abandoned. Representative Beakes, of the second Michigan district, telegraphed today that an error had been found in Jackson county which, if corrected, would give him the election by a plurality of 14 votes.

In the 21st Pennsylvania district the Democrats still have some hope of overturning the result. C. H. Rowland, Republican, now has a slight majority over William E. Tobias, Democrat.

Tonight the new House seems still to stand: Republicans, 217; Democrats, 212; others, 6.

TO SELL TENNESSEE CENTRAL.

Judge Sanford Signs Decree of Foreclosure at Nashville.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 16.—A decree of foreclosure against the property of the Tennessee Central Railway Company was signed by Judge E. T. Sanford here today, who ordered that the sale be conducted at public auction February 14 or 15, 1917. No bid of less than $1,350,000 will be accepted, and the purchaser must pay that amount in cash.

APPEAL FOR INTERVENTION BY UNITED STATES TO STOP DEPORTATION OF BELGIANS

Belgian Minister Says His Countrymen Are Practically Compelled to Fight for Germany Against Their Own Country—Says Unemployment of Workmen is Due to the Fact That the Germans Have Destroyed Belgian Industry.

Washington, Nov. 16.—An appeal for active intervention by the United States to stop the deportation of Belgian workmen into German was presented to the State Department today by E. Havenith, the Belgian minister. The Belgians, he said, practically are being compelled to fight agianst their own country contrary to the laws of nations and humanity.

The American government already has interested itself in this situation, and Charge Grew of the embassy at Berlin, has been instructed to discuss it personally with Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, although no formal representations are authorized.

Minister Havenith submitted the following communication to the State Department:

Minister Havenith's Note.

"The German governor general in Belgium is forcing thousands of Belgian workmen, who are unemployed or without work, to go to Germany to work in the quarries, in manufacturing concrete, and in the lime kilns under pretext that they are a charge upon public charity.

"The Belgian government protests energetically against this coercive measure which is contrary to the law of nations and the laws of humanity.

"The government of the king asks the active intervention of the government of the United States to obtain the cessation of this deportation of Belgian workmen into Germany and to obtain the liberation of those who have been already deported.

"The Germans claim that these workmen are not employed in war industries. It should be remarked, however, that they are employed in industries directly connected with the war, and that the employment of this Belgian labor releases a great number of German workmen who are sent to the front. Thus, these Belgian workmen are compelled practically to fight against their own country."

In making public the communication, the minister issued a statement which said:

Belgian Industry Destroyed.

"The Belgian minister calls the attention to the fact that theunemployment of Belgian workmen is due entirely to the action of the German government which has requisitioned all the supplies of raw materials and destroyed the industrial plants by removing the material. The German government has absolutely paralyzed all business in Belgium. Furthermore, the German government, which claims to try to encourage Belgian industry, has imposed a war tax of 40,000,000 francs a month (abouty twenty times the normal amount of Belgian taxation), for the past two years, upon a country which is without business and which Germany herself has impoverished by war and devastation."

ENGLAND'S TONNAGE LOSS IS EQUIVALENT TO 4,000,000.

Liverpool Journal of Commerce Suggests Remedy for Shortage.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 25.—In a leading article on "The Tonnage Shortage and the Remedy," the Liverpool Journal of Commerce points out that the British mercantile marine has suffered a loss equivalent to four million tons of shipping, detailed as follows: Hindrance of new construction, 1,700,000 tons; war losses, 1,520,000; excessive depreciation 1,000,000 tons.

Quoting Lloyds Register for the quarter ending September 30, 1916, in which vessels completed only totaled 71,000 tons gross, the journal says, "70,000 tons per quarter, or one decent ship a week, is a ridiculous output. In spite of admitted difficulties it is hard for the outsider to believe that this cannot be improved, while everyone claiming any general knowledge of the situation is well aware that many more ships could be turned out without at all interfering with the more urgent requirements of any other section of our fighting machinery."

The paper claims that a constantly increasing multitude of officials are being employed to stifle the best efforts of shipbuilders and apparently to ensure that what available labor and material there is shall be wasted; nd urges the necessity of appointing one strong man to govern everything, to see that available supplies are not frittered away, to ensure that the man who can best build big ships is given big ships to build and in general to arrange things on a sensible basis.

"The men who have run the ship yards for years as business concerns, who have guided their policy for a lifetime, find themselves helpless in the face of an invading army, which apparently thinks that in this grave crisis inexperience is more likely to yield good results than expert knowledge.

"What is required is the appointment of a dictator, an individual who is intimate with the shipbuilding industry and whose career s a guarantee of strength of character, soundness of judgment and outstanding ability. Such a man could be found if desired and if such an appointment were immediately announced, the relief to the shipbuilding world would be instantaneous."

POLICE TOO BUSY TO GRAFT.

New York Has Been Practically Cleared of Gunmen and Gangsters.

(New York Herald.)

The old days of the police force, when its reputation rested on the chance phrase of a politician and graft was rampant, seem to have been ended for the time being, at least. Of course, there still is some graft, but it is no longer possible for an inspector to reign in the tenderloin for a year or two and then retire to live at ease. Nowadays the police are too busy to graft.

For instance, take the crusade against the illegal sale and distribution of drugs. By pounding at this evil systematically, the police have been able to curb materially the number of agents—thus reducing the illegal traffic.

In very much the same way, the gangster has been all but wiped out. When the detective bureau and the special squads set to work on this first thorough housecleaning of the slum districts, they made up a list of 5,000 known names of "gunmen" to work on. By a process of elimination, comparing of several aliases belonging to the same man, they reduced this to a concrete list of 1,352. Of this number 751 were arrested during 1915 and 576 during 1916, which leaves only 25 of the original army of gangsters at liberty.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 16.—In the roughest match ever witnessed in Asheville, John Kilonis defeated Bull Montana, of New York last night in one fall, Montana failing to come back for th esecond fall. During the match, Kilonis was thrown clear off the stage in the orchestra pit, and again was thrown into the footlights, smashing several globes. The winning fall was finally accomplished by Kilonis securing Montana by the ankles, swinging him in a circle until he was dizzy, and throwing him flat.

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But One Way of Eating It, Despite Unsatisfactory Substitutes.

(From Portland Oregonian.)

Sticklers for etiquette on all occasions, including the solemn rite of dinner time, will be poorer if they permit their views of what is right and nice to interfere with their enjoyment of that essentially American viand, corn on the cob. For there is no doubt at all that there is just one way to eat a "roasting ear" and that is to grasp it firmly in both hands, after having buttered it well, and separate the kernels from the cob with the teeth. There are other ways, to be sure, but they are unsatisfactory substitutes. How many geniuses have perfected appliances to make the eating of corn a more elegant performance not even the clerks at the Patent Office are able to estimate, but it does not matter. It is enough to know that no such utensil ever has become common in household use, which it would have done if there had been any serious demand for it.

However much we may theorize about our eating and the purpose thereof, the fact remains that there is more to the pleasures of the table than the mere nourishment of our bodies. It is for this reason that confections and condiments are as popular as they are. It would be an uninteresting worl dif even our eating were done by rule. Our thoughts must be of something more savory than calories if we are to derive the highest benefits from our food. So, altogether it is true tnat we might exist if we carefully severeda the kernel of the corn with a knife or slipped it with a paair of specially made shears, there would be little or no pleasure in the operation. Lips, tongues and palate all have their part in the sense of taste; green corn calls into play also the cheeks and occasionally the ears, in which regard it seems to have just that much the better of it.

Ceremonious individuals will not permit themselves to enjoy corn on the cob. European commentators on the habits of the people of the United States have not failed to mention, with emphasis and sometimes with disdain, our custom of gnawing corn; but there is no official record of an instance in which a man who tried it did not become a convert. We are willing to eat green peas with a fork, if it must be, or even to make a reasonable concession as to watermelon, but so long as the most succulent vegetable of all the vegetable kingdom continues to thrive in our soil and under our skies we as a people are going to insist on eating it in the good old fashioned way.

MAXIMS OF MATRIMONY

Some "Do's" and "Don'ts" for Husbands and Wives.

(W. L. George in Atlantic Monthly).

I hold fast to the private maxim that hardly anything is unendurable if one sets up that all mankind could not give one a quite worthy mate. But there is another alleviation; understanding not only that one is married to somebody else ,but also that somebody else is married to oneself, and that it is quite as hard for the other party. There are many excellent things to be done. Here are a few:

1. Do not open each bther's letter. (For one reason you might not like the contents). And try not to look liberal if you don't even glance at th address or the postmark.

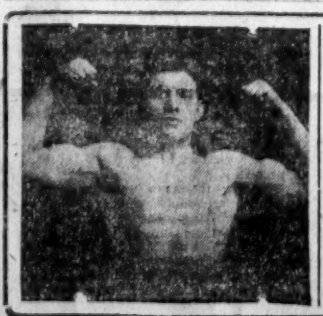
2. Vary your pursuits, your conversation and your clothes. If required, vary your hair.

3. If you absolutely must be sincere, let it be in private.

4. (Especially for wives.) Find out on the honeymoon whether crying or swearing is the more effective.

5. Once a day say to a wife, "I love you." To a husband, "How strong you are!" If the latter remark is ridiculous, say "How clever you are!" 'for everybody believes that.

6. Forgive your partner 70 times 7. Then burn the ledger.



WOOLVIN HALL TONIGHT
LUDWIG RESS
vs.
MAX SMITH
8:30
50c - ADMISSION - 75c

FARMER IS HAPPY AND TELLS ABOUT A CHANGE IN WIFE

I. J. Borden of Wilmington R. F. D. Says He Wouldn't Take $25.00 for the First 3 Bottles of Tanlac He Bought.

"I wouldn't take $25.00 for the first three bottles of Tanlac, if I couldn't get it any cheaper, as it is the only medicine that has done my wife any good," said I. J. Borden, well known farmer of R. F. D. this city, during a recent talk with the Tanlac Man at the Bellamy Drug Store.

"Yes, sir," the happy rural man continued, "Mrs. Borden has not only gained five pounds in weight from Tanlac, but she has gained a great deal in strength, for her appetite is as good as ever—she can eat anything she wants now without it disagreeing with her. Her back is better, and all the pains have left her. And her complexion has cleared up and she is really like a dif ferent woman.

"Before taking Tanlac, however, my wife had suffered for three years from poor health. Her kidneys bothered her every night and she suffered from pains in her back. Her complexion was bad, and she was very weak and nervous and subject to attacks of indigestion. Very often she was compelled to take to bed because of her condition. She had a poor appetite and was losing weight right along, and felt bad all the time." Here Mr. Borden smiled his thanks to the Tanlac Man and, after bidding goodbye, started for home with his fourth bottle of Tanlac.

Genuine Tanlac is sold in Wilmington, exclusively at the Bellamy Drug Store, where its merits are explained daily to health seekers by the Tanlac Man; Acme, Acme Store Co.; Burgaw, C. L. Halstead; Southport, Watson's Pharmacy; Rocky Point, A. N. Rhodes; Supply, G. W. Kirby; New Bern, Bradham Drug Co.; Magnolia, W. L. Southall; Faison, Faison Drug Co.; Pembroke, G. W. Locklear; Snow Hill, J. T. H. Harper; Vineland, R. B. McRoy & Co.; Whiteville, J. A. McNeill & Son; Verona, G. W. Humphrey. Each town has its Tanlac dealer.—adv.

BENEFIT CONCERT IS GIVEN AT CORNELIUS HARNETT SCHOOL

Whitlock-West Band and Orchestra is Heard by Appreciative Audience.

A large and appreciative audience of friends and patrons of the Cornelius Harnett school attended the concert given at the school last night by the members of the Whitlock-West band and orchestra, the proceeds of which will go to the improvement fund of the school and will be used in beautifying the school groundse.

Six very attratcive selections were rendered by the band and were enthusiastically applauded by the audience. The orchestral selections were as follows:

1 One Step—Sweet Cider Time, When You Were Mine.
2 Vocal Selection—Mrs. Palmer G. Laughridge.
3 Reverie—Eileen.
4 Cornet Solo, The Commodore—Mr. Jack Thompson.
5 Descriptive Two Step—Big Ben.
6 Selection—Good Bye, Good Luck, God Bless You.
7 One Step—Shades of Night.
8 Selection—Simplicity.
9 Fox Trot—Oh, How She Loved Jack's Hacki Wicki Wacki Way.
10 March—Are You From Dixie?

ARE THE BLONDES DOOMED?

(From London Answers.)

"Give me the dark haired ones for work," declared the manager of a munition factory, as he looked over the ranks of women who were busy on the big job.

"What ever for?" the visitor asked.

"They can keep on when the fair ones give in," the manager explained. "When we had that heat wave a month or so back, it was the fair girls who went under and were prostrated, whereas the brunettes stuck to their work with only a little less than their ordinary vigor."

One may feel inclined to argue with that manager's opinion, but he was quite right. In human beings, as in animals, the darker haired variety are more virile and are hardier and stronger, although it should not be forgotten that, as a rule, they have correspondingly stronger tempers.

Dark hair, especially if it is inclined to be somewhat coarse, denotes a vigorous, intense nature, with quick impulses, a temperament that is often obstinate and unruly, but which has big powers of ability to conquer in athletic sports.

The fine, thin hair, so often found among fair-haired women, is a sign of a more delicate constitution, of greater sensitiveness to both climate and to people, and its owners usually lack the spice of push and go that brings their darker sisters to the fore.

The survival of the fittest is slowly but gradually lessening the blonde among us. Just as in the South the brunette, with her greater powers of resistance against the heat and her more deeply pigmented skin, always has had the best of the fray, so that brunettes of the North are coming into their own.

Gradually the blonde is being eliminated from among us. Even now her fair head strikes a rare note among the darker heads that surround her. It is a pity, for the fair-haired girls of England have formed charming contrasts to their darker-tinted sisters. But the true blondes have this consolation—they are rarities.

FOUND UNCONSCIOUS IN ROOM

Miss Margaret Lewis, Graduate Nurse, Still Critically Ill.

Miss Margaret Lewis, a registered graduated nurse, who was found in her room at the home of Mrs. A. C. Harriss, No. 103 North Seventh street, in an unconscious condition Wednesday about noon, was reported from the James Walker Memorial hospital as still being seriously ill early this morning. Her sister arrived yesterday from Burgaw to be with her.

It is understood that Miss Lewis left instructions Tuesday night that she expected to take some medicine and did not wish to be called until noon on Wednesday. Complying with her request, it is stated that Mrs. Harriss or some member of the household went to her room to awake her and found her in an unconscious condition from which she has not yet recovered. After physicians were called in, one of whom was Dr. G. E. Bowdoin, it was decided to have the patient taken to the hospital, where she now is.

Miss Lewis has lived in the city for several years and has a great many friends who will sincerely hope that she may soon recover.

The expression "King's ransom" has been traced back to the distant days when all murders were punishable by fine on a sliding scale, and even kings went cheap at from $100 to $200. It is more probably a dim popular reminiscence of the heavy taxation of England to pay the ransom demanded for our Richard Coeur de Lion when he was kept in captivity by some of our present eenmies.

$300,000 CAMPAIGN DEFICIT MUST BE MADE UP SOON.

Various State Democratic Committees Asked to Help Out Raising Funds.

According to an item in the Charlotte Observer of recent issue, A. W. McLean, acting chairman of the State Democratic committee, is in receipt of a telegram from W. W. Marsh, treasurer of the Democratic National Committee, in which the existing deficit of $300,000 in the national treasury is pointed out. Just what plans will be made to make up the deficit could not be ascertained here last night.

Acting under the suggestion of the national official, Chairman McLean urges all auxiliary committees of the State to begin at once soliciting funds to help make up the deficit. The telegram which has been received by Chairman McLean at Lumberton, is as follows:

"Democratic National Committee will deem it extraordinary favor of you will start at once vigorous campaign for funds to help wipe out deficit of over $300,000. We must not allow our glorious victory to be clouded by failure to pay legitimate bills promptly. Quick action necessary.

(Signed) "W. W. MARSH,
"Treasurer."

In communication with The Observer office Wednesday, Chairman McLean requested that all auxiliary committees be notified of the action to be taken and funds solicited through the campaign be forwarded to him at Lumberton.

Pays Visit to Local Schools.

Superintendent R. E. Ranson, of the Brunswick County Schools, took advantage of his presence in the city yesterday as chairman of the Board of Elections, to visit a number of the city schools of Wilmington in company with Superintendeint J. J. Blair. Superintendent Ranson expressed himself as being very much interested in the way Wilmington is working our her educational problems.

See C. H. Fore & Co., for fine furs.—(adv).

Our Preparedness Is Your Protection

THAT anticipation means concentration of the thought which prepares and makes ready the way to meet emergencies as they arise, is aptly and strikingly illustrated by every department here. No happy-go-lucky provision for your Winter needs has been made—the stocks have been chosen carefully and cautiously. Especially does this refer to the winter apparel needs of women, misses and girls.

By the word "protection," which we use in the headlines above, you are to understand that the three elements which unite to produce value, namely: quality, style and price, are all concerned. The result will, we think, impress you profoundly. **Our Preparedness Is Your Protection.**

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Ladies' All-Wool Whipcord and Serge Suits, $12.50 to $15.00 values at $9.95
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$30.00 and $35.00 Broadcloth Suits, fur trimmed and lined with Peau de Cygne, at $22.50
$25.00 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, at $19.95
$6.50 to $7.50 Sport Coats, full range of smart colors, at $4.98
$8.50 Long Mixed Coats, plush trimmed, at $6.50
$10.00 Wool Velour Coats, all colors, at $7.95
$15.00 Plaid Mixed Coats, plush trimmed, at $9.95
$15.00 All-Wool Velour Coats, all colors, at $9.95
$18.00 White Chinchilla Coats, 45 in. long, at $12.50
Beautiful Plush and Broadcloth Coats, fur trimmed . . . . $19.95 to $45.00

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Misses' Fine Ribbed Hose, black or white, all sizes at 10c
Misses' 20c Ribbed Hose, black or white, at 15c
Ladies' Fine Thread Gauze Hose, at . 15c
Ladies' Mercerized Lisle Hose, 35c values at 25c
Full 360 Count Brass Pins, all sizes, at 5c
Big Box Wire Hair Pins, at 5c
Silk Middy Laces, all colors, at 5c
Pebeco Tooth Paste, at 39c
Colgate's large size Tooth Paste, at . 19c
Armour's Violet 10c Soap, for 5c
Cashmere Bouquet Face Powder at . 10c
Madame Cavalier's Face Powder, . 15c
Squibbs' Talcum Powder, at 19c

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Men's All-Wool Serge and Worsted Suits, Venetian lined, $12.50 values at . $9.95
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Men's $18.00 All-Wool Worsted Suits $14.95
Men's $10.00 Half-Wool Worsted Suits $7.50
Men's $10.00 Heavy Oxford Overcoats $7.95
Men's $8.50 Long Black Thibet Overcoats, at $6.50
Young Men's $12.50 Balmacaan Overcoats, at $9.95
Boys' All-Wool Cassimere Pinch-Back Suits, at $3.95
Boys All-Wool Serge Knickerbocker Suits, at $4.98
Small Boys' Serge Reefer Suits, at . $2.98

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36-in. Bleaching, short lengths, at 8½c
27-in. Plain Chambray, all colors, at 10c
54-in. Half-Wool Broadcloth, at 48c
30-in. Corduroys, all colors, at 69c
36-in. Half-Wool Dress Goods, at 25c
48-in. Shepherd Check Suiting, at 50c
44-in. All-Wool Serges; $1.50 values at . . 98c
44-in. Sponged and Shrunk Blue Serge, at $1.19
27-in. Mercerized Poplins, at 25c

Warm Underwear For Men, Women and Children

Men's Fine Ribbed Shirts and Drawers at 48c
Men's $1.25 Ribbed Union Suits at 98c
Men's $2.00 Wright's Health Union Suits $1.68
Men's $1.00 Heavy Fleeced Shirts and Drawers at 75c
Ladies' Fine Ribbed Bleached Union Suits 48c
Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Fleeced Union Suits 98c
Ladies' Fine Wool Union Suits. . $1.98 and up
Misses' Ribbed Vest and Pants 25c
Misses' Ribbed Union Suits, all sizes, at . 48c
Infants' Vests. . . . . 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c
Boys' Ribbed Union Suits, all sizes, at . 48c

Do Not Delay Your Shoe Purchases, They Will Cost More Soon

Ladies' All Solid Leather Dress Shoes . $1.50
Ladies' All Solid Leather Comfort Shoes $1.50
Ladies' Black Vici Button Shoes at $1.75
Ladies' $3.00 Dress Shoes, button or lace $2.50
Dorothy Dodd Dress Shoes. . . $3.50 to $7.50
Children's School Shoes, all solid leather, at . . . . . 98c to $2.50
Men's Dress Shoes, any style, at $3.00
Men's Cheap Dress Shoes at . . $1.50 to $1.68
Men's Fine Dress Shoes . . . . $2.50 to $5.00

Smart Millinery Costs Less Here

Children's Trimmed School Hats, in Corduroy and Velveteen, all colors, at 48c
Misses' Shepherd Check School Hats, at 48c
Misses' Felt Sailors, large size, all colors, at $1.45 to $1.95
Ladies' Large Velvet Shapes; black only $1.45
Ladies' $5.00 and $6.00 Hatters' Plush Shapes, all the New Blocks, at $3.95
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MERRICK CASE HEARD BY GOVERNOR CRAIG

Arguments for and Against Commutation of Death Sentence.

Fight Being Made to Save Life of Wilmington Negro Youth Convicted of Murder—Requisition Honored—Charter Issued.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 16.—Governor Craig gave a special hearing today in the matter of a petition for commutation of the death sentence of Thomas Merrick, colored, of Wilmington, to life imprisonment, the prisoner being scheduled for electrocution December 15. Here advocating commutation was Burke H. Bridgers, of Wilmington, counsel for the defense. Opposing commutation was Rodolph Duffy, counsel for the prosecution, and L. E. Hudson, of Onslow county, brother of L. B. Hudson, who was shot to death by Merrick in a bottling works in Wilmington.

The plea for the commutation is principally on the ground that he is too young to be electrocuted, being 17 years old; also that there were extenuating circumstances. Opposition to commutation is on the ground that the killing was most diabolical, having been done deliberately. Hudson, in charge of the plant, had put Merrick out as a loafer and he came back with a shot gun, after threatening to get even with Hudson, and fired the fatal shot without giving any warning.

Governor Craig will announce his decision in the matter later. Merrick had two trials and was convicted both times by jury of first degree murder.

A requisition from the governor of Ohio was honored this morning by Governor Craig for Mitchell Hawkins, now in Asheville, who is wanted in Richlands county, Ohio, on the charge of non-support of his minor child. The complainant is Mrs. Margaret Hawkins.

A charter is issued for the Pinehurst Orchards (Inc.), of Pinehurst, capital $25,000 authorized and $3,000 subscribed for the purpose of planting and maintaining fruit orchards at Pinehurst or elsewhere. The incorporators are Ralph Page, of Aberdeen, and J. M. and J. T. Johnson, of Aberdeen.

Dr. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, is attending this week at Durham the annual convention of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States.

Farmers' Union Convention.

Dr. H. Q. Alexander, of Matthews, president; Dr. J. M. Templeton, of Cary, vice president; E. C. Faires, of Aberdeen, secretary and treasurer, and all other officers of the North Carolina State Farmers' Union, were re-elected at the annual convention being held here.

Executive Committee Report.

The executive committee report showed a most effective year just closed for furtherance of the Farmers' Union policies and gratifying growth in membership. The report reiterated views and policies of the Union in educational matters, practical farm life training, compulsory school attendance up to 14 years of age instead of 12 as at present; local taxation for school improvement along with the other progressive educational policies. There was also endorsement again of the race segregation policy in rural land ownership, strenuous appeal for co-operation in all these matters for which the Union provides co-operative systems and the development to the utmost of the social and brotherhood sentiment among the Union membership.

There is again enforcement of the proposed amendment to the State constitution for initiative and referendum and recall.

The Union re-elected all the officers who served the past year and selected the following as delegates to the National convention to be in session at Palatka, Fla., November 21: Dr. H. Q. Alexander, W. R. Dixon, Clarence Poe, J. Z. Green; Alternates, S. H. Hobbs, W. B. Griffin, A. F. Yarborough and I. C. Kennett.

Bottlers in Convention.

The fourth annual convention of the North Carolina Bottlers' Association began here today to continue through tomorrow, with half a hundred delegates in attendance. The object of the organization is to put the bottling business on a high plane and effect a sanitary standard for the protection of the public. Robert L. Ellis, of Asheville, is president; George H. Marvin, of Gastonia, secretary, and J. A. Long, of Greensboro, treasurer. Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health, addressed the convention this afternoon.

HOW TO REDUCE YOUR WEIGHT

A SIMPLE, SAFE, RELIABLE WAY.

People who are over-burdened with superfluous fat, know only too well the discomfort and ridicule that over-stout people have to bear.

If you are carrying around five or ten pounds of unhealthy fat you are unnecessarily weakening your vital organs and are carrying a burden which destroys the beauty of your figure.

There is no need of anyone suffering from superfluous fat. If you want to reduce your weight in a simple, safe and reliable way, without starvation diet or tiresome exercise, here is a test worth trying. Spend as much time as you can in the open air, breathe deeply and get from any good druggist a box of oil of korein capsules; take one after each meal and one before retiring at night.

Weigh yourself once a week so as to know just how fast you are losing weight, and don't leave off the treatment or even skip a single dose until you are down to normal.

Oil of korein is absolutely harmless, is pleasant to take, and helps digestion. Even a few days' treatment has been reported to show a noticeable reduction in weight, footsteps become lighter, your work seems easier and a lighter and more buoyant feeling takes possession of your whole being.

Every person who suffers from superfluous fat should give this treatment a trial.

Elvington's Pharmacy can supply you.

CHRISTIAN CONVENTION AT KINSTON ADJOURNS

Most Successful the Denomination in State Has Ever Held.

Nearly Every Report Indicated Material Growth for the Year—Woman's Mission Board Elects Officers for Year.

Kinston, N. C., Nov. 16.—The final session of the State convention of the Disciples of Christ for 1916, opened here Monday night, was held this evening. Rev. J. J. Walker preached the closing sermon following a devotional service led by Mr. J. R. Smith. The three or four hundred delegates and ministers who remained over for the closing religious session and a larger number of local parishioners of the Gordon Street Christian church, in which the convention was held, gathered after the benediction for a farewell social period in the social rooms of the handsome institutional edifice.

In the afternoon a devotional service was conducted by Rev. Warren A. Davis, an address on church extension was heard and Mr. H. G. Braxton led a model Christian Endeavor gathering. In the morning the customary opening devotional exercises were led by Mr. Chas. M. McIntyre, committee reports were heard and unfinished business transacted, Mr. Jno. T. Saunders conducted a "quiet hour" service and the session was followed by luncheon in the basement of the church.

The convention was by long odds the most successful the North Carolina Disciples, or as they are modernly called, Christians, have ever held. Nearly every report indicated material growth in practically every line. The State branch of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, the church's powerful ally which has expended more than five million dollars in about two score years of its existence in carrying the gospel into every part of the globe, especially boasted of marked increases and promised the doubling of its membership, contributions and influence within five years. Mrs. J. Frank Hill, of Kinston, was re-elected president of the organization, as was Miss Etta Nunn, of New Bern, secretary, and Mrs. J. F. Taylor, of Kinston, treasurer. Miss Hattie Parrott, of Kinston, superintendent of the Young People's Department, reported an increase from 32 to 42 in the number of C .W. B. M.'s junior auxiliary.

Wilson was selected as the annual convention city for next year.

MOVIE MAKERS GET SCENES IN CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Authors Films Company Players in Upper Cape Fear Metropolis.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Nov. 16.—The Authors Films Company, of New York, started work here this morning on the production of a filmization of Walt Mason's poem, "The Dipper." A producing company headed by A. J. Rothemel, director of the Authors Films, came here in search of a picturesque setting for the film dramatization of the poem—an old fashioned well, around which the story is woven, being particularly desired. An ideal location was found this morning on the place of City Tax Collector W. L. Hawley in the eastern part of the town. This is an unusually picturesque place, situated on the high banks of old Cross Creek, and described by Director Rothemel as one of the most beautiful spots he had ever seen. An old windlass well found here was the very thing the motion picture people were looking for, and Mr. Hawley's permission to make the pictures on his place was easily obtained. A number of other locations were offered the producing company, but, while several satisfactory old wells were found, in most cases their surroundings had become too "citified."

BOATS TO BE OPERATED ON NEW BERN LINE IN SPRING.

Line Would Have Been in Operation, But Boats Had to be Built.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

New Bern, N. C., Nov. 16.—According to reports coming to New Bern, the line of boats which the Virginia-Carolina Navigation Company are planning to put into operation between New Bern and Baltimore and intermediate points, will be in readiness for operation during the early spring, possibly by the latter part of March.

But for the fact that it has been found necessary to construct the steamers which are to be used on this line, it would have been in operation weeks ago, but the company had no steamers that could be used and they were unable, after a long search, to find the type of boats that they would require and it was necessary for them to make arrangements to construct them.

The material to be used in the construction of these vessels is now being assembled and as soon as this part of the work has been concluded, actual building operations will begin and the boats will be rushed to completion just as quickly as possible.

REVIVAL AT MT. OLIVE.

Rev. W. A. Ayers, of Newport News, to Assist Baptist Pastor.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Mount Olive, N. C., Nov. 16.—Beginning next Sunday morning with the regular service, a 10-day revival and evangelistic series of services will be held at the Baptist church here. The pastor, Rev. R. H. Herring, will be assisted by Rev. Wm. A. Ayers, pastor of the First Baptist church, of Newport News, Va.

Rev. Mr. Ayers is a native North Carolinian and has held successful pastorates at Elizabeth City and New Bern, and for the last ten years has been in Virginia, where he has also met with remarkable success in pastoral work, both at Lynchburg and in his present work, and, in connection with his pastoral work, has done much evangelistic work, in which he has also been very successful.

—Rev. J. S. Crowley will preach at New Hope and Winnabow Presbyterian churches Sunday morning and night, respectively. The services at New Hope church will be at 11 A. M. and at Winnabow at 7:30 P. M.

Remember C. H. Fore & Co. when you wish to purchase blankets and comforts.—(adv).

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25c Sanitol Tooth Powder, Special at 19c
25c Colgate Tooth Paste, Special at 19c
25c Luxor Cold Cream, Special at 19c
Velour Powder Puff, large and fluffy, Special at ... 9c

Specials in Neckwear

Ladies Collars and Collar and Cuff Sets, of organdy and other dainty materials; 25c value, Special at ... 19c
Ladies' Collars and Collar and Cuff Sets, 50c values, priced Special at 43c

Handkerchief Values

25c line of Linen Handkerchiefs, colored border and Armenian edge, priced Special at 19c
20c line of Men's Handkerchiefs, fast colors, check design, Special at 14c
Ladies' Colored Border Handkerchiefs, priced Special at 5c

Week-end days are Bargain Days at the Bon Marche. Special values are offered that cannot fail to bring about the desired results. You have only to investigate once to be a constant attendant at the Friday and Saturday sales.

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Saturday ends our greatest selling event. A new line will be added for Friday and Saturday Specials.

Assortment No. 4, priced at ..... $ 7.75
Assortment No. 1, priced at $12.75
Assortment No. 2, priced at $15.75
Assortment No. 3, priced at $18.75

Hosiery Priced Less

Ladies' Black Wool Hose, with gray toe and heel, good weight, Special at pair 40c
Gordon Silk Hose, in black and white, all sizes, $1.00 value, Special for 69c
Good Winter Weight Cotton Hose, black only, Special at pair 50c
An attractive assortment of Fancy Silk Hose, beautiful contrasting colors, $1.25 values, Special at, pair 98c

Extra Special Ribbon Values

One lot of fine Johnson-Cowdin Fifth Avenue Ribbons, 6 to 8 inches wide, floral and conventional designs, priced Special for two days at yard 59c

At the Lace Counter

Filet Lace, 1½ and 2 inches wide, nice for underwear and suitable for many other uses, Extra Special value at yard 5c
20 pieces of Fine Venise Lace, Edges and Insertions, all widths, values to 35c, Special for yard 19c

SCHMIOT AND RESS TONIGHT

First Wrestling Match of Season Will Be Staged in Woolvin Hall Tonight—McGurley Referee.

Germany and Belgium will clash at Woolvin Hall tonight.

Now don't get excited and go off half cocked, there wil be no thunder of heavy artillery, no whirr of aerial battle ,and no clang of charging cavalry.

Instead it will be simply a battle between representatives of the two nations, armed only with nature's weapons, and the use of these strictly limited by set rules and regulations. Furthermore, Uncle Sam is going to officiate as referee, and Sweden will have general oversight of the entire layout, so there will be no doubt as to fair play.

The honor of the Fatherland will be upheld by Herr Max Schmidt, while Monsieur Ludwig Ress will be the subject of King Albert, who will seek to disprove the saying that "Deutschland ist uber alles in der Welt." James B. McGurley, U. S. A., is to have Uncle Sam's part on the board of arbitration while Sweden will be represented by Fritz Hanson as chief master of ceremonies.

In brief it will be a wrestling match. Also, if the dope can be properly packed, it will be SOME wrestling match. Both the principals will carry some 175 pounds of avoirdupois into the arena with them, and both are primed for the slaughter. Schmidt has been getting into trim by exchanging grizzly bear hugs with a big fellow named Draak, while Ress has been doing some kind of similar stunts in another part of the country.

Ress is considered one of the classiest of the present crop of mat artists in the country, and was one of the bright and shining lights in the National tournament last year. Schmidt hails from New Bern and has made quite a reputation for himself in Tar Heel sport circles. The game will be preceded by the usual preliminaries, and the show will begin at 8:30.

Hanson, who is just now the big noise in the promoting line around the city, has just returned from Orangeburg, S. C., where he buried Greece's prestige beneath pressing clods of defeat when he took two straight falls from Jack Ross. This should complete Fritz's programme of revenge as it is the second walloping that he has administered to Ross within the past week, and amply evens up that little accidental victory that Ross took from him in Columbia on Labor Day.

Fritz has a little engagement of his own scheduled for Monday night, when along with Ross, he meets a gentleman called Bull Montana in a handicap match in Columbia. Montana is certain that he can live up to his title of "Bull" in more ways than one, and has cheerfully agreed to fling both of his adversaries in an hour.

It is said that Bull never meant to make any such challenge as this in the first place, for Hanson trounced him once before. What he did intend to do was to tackle any two local men, but the referee became confused and announced that Montana wanted to take a a shot at Fritz and Ross in tandem formation.

After both men had eagerly accepted this offer nobody could back out, and especially as Hanson offered some iron men that Montana could not turn the trick on him alone in the time mentioned. So it begins to look like Montana will throw his front name instead of his opponents next Monday night.

Hanson stated last night that a number of top notchers, including Roller, Zbysco, Lundin, Munday and others would probably appear here this winter.

OPEN GREENVILLE STORE.

Belk Bros. Continue to Start New Mercantile Establishments.

Making the 16th Belk store to be established in the Carolinas, Belk Bros., of Charlotte, who are partners in the well known local firm of Belk-Williams Company, have opened a branch in Greenville, S. C., which has been placed in charge of Mr. J. W. Kirkpatrick, of Charlotte. Speaking of the formal opening last Saturday, the Greenville News says:

"Belk Bros. opened their Greenville branch store yesterday and were literally deluged with customers. On two occasions it was necessary to close the doors, as the inside of the store was jammed full of shoppers.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

A right life is an essential factor in understanding the Word of God. God revealeth his secrets unto His servants. —WILBERT W. WHITE.

Robeson county is the Texas of North Carolina.

It's now the Bloody Tenth. Will the Sixth take a back seat, please?

Anyhow, Judge Hughes was a willing sacrifice to the sacred elephant.

"The Old Guard never surrenders," but it is just the same if it gives in.

A "master spy" who demands only $3,000 will be recognized in graft circles as a piker who doesn't know the game.

Virginians are allowed to order one quart each month, but that isn't enough to enable a Virginian to insist on loaning money to a millionaire.

If you can't remember who it was lost to memory during the cyclone, there will come whisperings from the depths of oblivion that it was the same old Bill Sulzer.

It is quite credible that the Mexican factionists tell as many yarns on each other as political partisans did during the recent presidential campaign in the United States.

Well, perhaps the Hon. Jeannette Rankin, of Montana, once passed through North Carolina and was ever thereafter sorry that she was not born in the Old North State.

The Mammoth Cave is announced for sale, but we don't want any hole in the ground so long as we have 22,000,000 idle acres of fertile land to hold us a while in North Carolina.

Well, the New York Herald's straw vote forecast of the presidential election made good again, even if the Herald did fall down on it the night of the election and announce that Hughes had won.

Colonel Roosevelt stated before the election that he knew the people of the West and that they knew him like a book. They certainly voted like they not only knew him but like they had him down fine.

The Jacksonville Times-Union says: "The South replied to her critics by voting solidly against them." We fancy that they recognize it more in the nature of an answer than a reply. "Who tho'd dat fust brick las'?"

A cablegram announces that the Swiss Federal Council has fixed the maximum price that Switzerland will pay for cotton. Meanwhile the law of supply and demand will make Switzerland's price fixing look like 30 cents.

Ah, do not fume and fret, But, for the love of Mike, forget. 'Tis folly to regret The loss of that election bet. Give up your wealth and grin About your nerve to risk your tin; 'Twere vain that you should win, The people want Wilson in.

We can't buy 20-cent meat with 20-cent cotton and have anything left over. We will eat up the meat and we won't be able to keep our cotton. If we were to raise all our own meat and foodstuffs, we could put our cotton money in the bank.

It is stated that a Missouri girl is not only beautiful but that she is an ideal housekeeper and a perfect wonder as a cook. Of course, Missouri is fortunate in having one girl like that, but it would require a thousand blackboards to figure the number of North Carolina girls who are rare domestic scientists and models of beauty. Huh, North Carolina sits at the head of the table with her girls.

MUCH DEPENDS ON A VOTE.

The Greensboro Record (Ind.) says: "We thought that North Carolina would come in big somewhere, and now it appears that she is to hold the balance of power in the lower house. Britt or Weaver will decide the fate of many a hungry patriot in search of Federal patronage."

The closeness of the vote between Britt and Weaver and the possibilities that the Democrats may lose control of the House at Washington by one vote —maybe Mr. Britt's—shows how silly it is to vote for a good fellow whose politics are radically different from those of the voter. For instance, Democrats who voted for Mr. Britt may be responsible for the control of the House by opposition that is to obstruct President Wilson's policies in the interest of the people.

As a matter of course, the rule would work the other way, if Mr. Weaver, the Democratic candidate, has squeezed in by a bare majority. If disgruntled Republicans voted for the Democrat, it may result in losing the lower house of Congress for the Republicans. To men who conscientiously change parties, this does not apply, but it applies to men who vote for a candidate on account of friendship or vote against their own party candidate on account of some personal grievance. Think of the complexion of the National House of Representatives being determined by a personal grudge harbored in the breast of some half dozen men of the mountain coves!

We simply mention this to show the importance of a man's vote. A grave responsibility rests on every citizen whether he goes to the polls or not and the responsibility is just as grave when a man does cast his vote. He ought to vote conscientiously, for much may depend upon it in a great crisis like this. The ballot is a sacred thing, but some men regard it as of little consequence which way they vote. It makes all the difference in the world, however, and surely the exceedingly close margin between the two parties in the House at Washington ought to convince men that voting is not child's play. Grave consequences may depend upon one or two votes or a few votes in an election, so men should quit thinking that a vote is of such little consequence that it can be frittered away. When men vote according to their principles or change their votes as a matter of conscience they have done their duty as citizens, as they see the light.

We fully expect the close vote between Representative Britt and Mr. Weaver in the Tenth district to be decided on an honest count, but if Mr. Britt happens to be elected, some of his Democratic supporters can blame themselves for it. Mr. Britt, Republican that he is, supported President Wilson on some of the vital measures passed by the House. He voted against the Child Labor bill but it lost him many a vote among Republicans.

The world won't be turned up-side down if either Mr. Britt or Mr. Weaver is elected, but it may mean a great deal to President Wilson as to whether he will have a Republican majority on his hands or whether he will have a Democratic majority to support him. Of course, it may mean a continuance of Democrats at the pie counter or it may mean a considerable lot of pie for the Republicans. That view of it is for hungry patriots in both parties to take, and they generally take that view only.

SOUTHERN EDITORS FOR PAPER PREPAREDNESS.

According to the Florence Times, the editors of South Carolina showed a lively interest in the matter of the supply of news paper by their attendance at their meeting in Columbia last Friday. Fifty of the newspaper men were present in person, while others telegraphed and wrote that they would co-operate in any step that may be taken. The editors represented the South Carolina Press Association, and concerning the object of the meeting our esteemed Florece contemporary says:

"The association determined that the newspapers, with all that they had to fight with and fight for, could not let the paper trust put things over on them as they were doing, and they could do two things, join for co-operative buying this year and try to get a mill in this section to make newspaper by next year. It would take a year, at least, to get a mill into operation. Two committees were appointed, one on each of these matters. Georgia and North Carolina newspapers have already taken action on the matter and South Carolina joins them. Florence made them an offer for the mill, which will be considered by the committee, and Mr. C. W. Coker said that he might be in line to consider such an extention to a mill that he was to build to make paper for his own use."

Truth about it is, the newspaper men see the need of paper preparedness in the South. We have here an empire without a paper making industry. The South surely lacks industrial equilibrium. We have all our industrial eggs in one basket but it is just as advisable to have diversified industries as it is absolutely necessary to have diversified agriculture.

This paper emergency may have a lesson in it for the South. We could not keep house very long if we had to depend upon the South to supply our everyday needs. This is true in many glaring particulars. We send away entirely too much money for manufactures that can be produced cheaper in the South. It is time to wake up.

"Necessity is the mother of invention." Maybe we need a lot of necessities to open our eyes to our industrial needs.

THE MIDDLE MAN.

The high cost of living in this country is now coming in for a share of discussion, and we fear that it is a rather complex question, "largely local," as the lamented General Hancock said about the tariff when he accepted the Democratic nomination for president. Of course, it has its national aspects but there are about as many sides to it as to an octagonal box.

In his speech to the National Grange at Washington last Tuesday, President Wilson held the middle man largely responsible for the high cost of living, but he meant the big middle man who can buy up products in huge amounts and hold them off the markets in warehouses and cold storages till the demand gets so acute that prices can be advanced at will. In a way, the little middle man is responsible, but not all the little middle men, for they themselves also are the victims of high prices. All merchants and dealers are middle men for they handle manufactures from factories to buyers, or from farms to consumers. That class of middle men are very much like the poor—we will have them with us always.

The high price of various products, commodities and manufactures is due to widely varying and vastly different things, so it is rather risky to attempt off-hand to put the blame on one class or one cause. In our larger productive fields it is easy to trace high prices up to certain large distributors, but even then they can fall back on the law of of supply and demad—small production and great demand, for instance. It would really take a government investigation to get at the true facts, so it is largely a guess to attribute high prices to any one class or cause.

The truth about it is, we are not producing enough on our farms to supply our own great demand and then attempt to supply at least a part of the foreign demand upon our breadstuffs and meat supplies. We know, for instance, that the wheat crop this year was 150,000,000 bushels short of our normal needs, and, while we had 200,000,000 bushels left over from the 1915 crop, we have had to divide our loaf with Europe. There is a shortage of livestock and not enough meat products to supply our own demands, yet we have to compete with European buyers who place their war meat contracts in this country. Likewise, we know that the cotton crop is short and that American and European buyers are competing here for the South's cotton. The demand is large and the supply is short. That accounts for 20 cents cotton, and we know that higher priced cotton goods are going to increase our cotton clothing expenses. The high prices of breadstuffs, meat, shoes, etc., can be traced back in the same way and they enter largely and very much locally, as well, in the high cost of living—especially the cost of high living.

There are many curious local conditions that add to the living burden of the people. Some of them are trivial but they count. Some communities are too far away from production, so the cost of transportation and distribution increases prices on what each community gets from abroad. As to beef and pork, the South is not raising its own supplies, hence it is paying packing house expenses and livestock and beef and freight transportation for something like 2,000 to 3,000 miles, from ranges to slaughter houses, and from slaughter houses and distributing houses to the retail selling points. Why do we ask what causes the high price of beef and pork, when we ought to know the cause of it. We ought to know also that we are to blame for it because we do not produce our own meat supplies and at least save great transportation bills if nothing else.

Getting down to greens, we don't raise enough around Wilmington of what we need on our tables every day. This is trivial but it is important, because it shows our improvidence. Why, a few days ago The Star mentioned that the Bear Produce Company imported a carload of ruta baga turnips from Canada. A tariff duty of $91 was paid on the carload and, of course, turnip consumers pay the tariff and the freight and the price of the turnips at retail. These turnips were not imported for fun, but because not enough turnips for the local needs are produced on our farms. We certainly ought to grow our own turnips. As to the small matter of spinach, Wilmington prices are 50 cents a peck, while the price quoted in at least two large cities is only 15 cents a peck. Of course, we don't raise enough spinach, and thus it goes with a thousand and one things, including such household necessities as butter, eggs, etc. We ought to be ashamed to buy cold storage eggs or butter or packing house poultry, etc. That is not the middle man's fault. It is ours.

This is only skimming on the surface of a question as big as the whole of America.

Yes, there is another reason. The Republican party "betrayed the people" (Theodore Roosevelt). The people were "betrayed" (Roosevelt) seven years ago but it takes more than seven years for the people to forget that they were "betrayed" (Roosevelt). You can betray the people once in seven years, but they won't give you another chance in so short a while.

An afternoon paper and a morning paper in a certain city chewed the rag on the 8th of November as to which was first to announce the election of Hughes. A few days later neither would claim credit for making a premature and misleading statement of a matter that was in doubt for at least three days.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Mr. Wilson is no longer a minority president. Four years ago when he was decidedly advantaged in his race by the struggle which ripped and tore the brethren of the opposition, and was elected by virtue of the irreparable spit in the Republican party, it was proper to classify him as a minority president because he did not gets as many votes as did Mr. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt combined. At that time he lacked more than a million votes of approximating what the combined ticket polled. This year he ran nearly 500,000 votes ahead of Mr. Hughes which gives him explicitly and irrefutably the title of being a majority president.—Charlotte News.

Indians of Robeson went back on the party to which they owe so much in the election Tuesday and voted largely with the Republicans. The thing that caught them, it is thought, was the quiet word said to have been passed among them by Candidate A. L. McCaskill and Dr. T. A. Norment, of Lumberton, to the effect that the reason the longed-for appropriation for their normal school at Pembroke had been held up was that the chairman of the committee that had the matter in charge was a Republican and that the only chance to get the appropriation was to vote for McCaskill. The Indians fell for that in droves and swelled the Republican vote in the county. Robeson rolled up a handsome Democratic majority without the Indian vote; the old scarecrow of the "balance of power" has been effectively knocked in the head. The Indians of Robeson are going to find that they gained nothing by wandering off after false gods. The Robesonian is not disposed to censure these misguided ones harshly but it would remind the Indians who voted with the Republicans that they showed themselves ungrateful to a degree in voting against the party that has proved itself their staunch friend. The Democratic party has lifted the Indians of this county from a condition of degradation and ignorance and placed them on a self-respecting footing. On account of the attitude to this race of people of the Democratic party, which is made up of a large majority of the best people of the county, the Indians of Robeson have their separate schools and they have a splendid normal school at Pembroke. They have been encouraged and helped by leaders of the Democratic party, and they have made gratifying advances in the last ten years. They owe all the special privileges they enjoy to the Democratic party and the Republican party has never done anything for them. The Robesonian believes that when sober second-thought presents these considerations to the Indians who voted against their best friends in the eletcion last week they will be sorry for their mistake and will return to the only party from which they can hope to obtain help in their struggle onward and upward. The Indians who stood by the Democratic party are to be commended for remaining steadfast, for being too wise to be caught with chaff.—Lumberton Robesonian.

GREENVILLE TOBACCO PRICES

Sales Leading Those of 1915 For Same Months—Prices Higher.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Greenville, N. C., Nov. 16.—Despite the short crop of tobacco the Greenville market sold near as much up to November 1st this season as it did last season and got near twice as much money for it. There is now very little tobacco in the hands of the farmers and they are marketing it rather faster than usual. Good prices hurry them up. They are afraid to wait for a better thing than the prices they are now getting.

The Greenville market sold 4,746,597 pounds of tobacco during the month of October, 1916. This tobacco put $1,026,771.25 into the hands of the farmers, the average price being $21.63 per hundred pounds.

The sales for the season up to November 1st were 12,794,864 pounds. This brought $2,573,191.55 which the farmers put into their jeans. The average for this amount was $20.125 per hundred pounds.

The total sales for last season for the same period were 12,560,491 pounds which brought only $1,422,242.17, an average of only $11.48.

Thus the average this season has been near twice that of last season and about the same amount sold has netted the farmers near twice as much. This short crop is making them more money than a big crop would have done. The increase in prices has been far beyond the loss in decrease in crop.

The sales to date are near 15,000,000 pounds and not more than ten to twelve per cent of the crop is thought to be yet in the hands of the farmers.

EASTERN CAROLINA FAIR AT NEW BERN PRONOUNCED SUCCESS

Management Says It Was a Success Financially as Well as Otherwise.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

New Bern, N. C., Nov. 16.—After making a thorough investigation the management of the Eastern Carolina Fair have announced that the big event, which was held last week, was a complete success financially as well as otherwise and they are mightily pleased with the result.

During the past few years, due in the main to the fact that inclement weather has intervened, the Eastern Carolina fair had been a flat failure as far as its financial success was concerned and the management had just about given up hope.

This year an ideal week was picked, the weather was superb and the attendance on each day but the first, which was election day, was all that could have been desired and the gate receipts were very encouraging.

GREAT JUBILATION OVER THE RE-ELECTION OF MR. WILSON

Washington and Beaufort County Pull Off Great Demonstration.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Washington, N. C., Nov. 16.—A monster celebration, by the citizens of Washington and Beaufort county, of the re-election of President Wilson was held in this city Tuesday night, and was attended by one of the largest crowds that has ever attended a political demonstration in the city. The celebration consisted of a long street parade by torch light, speeches by prominent citizens, the booming of cannon, explosions of rapid fire guns, tooting of horns, fireworks, torpedoes, and shouts of hundreds of people, all expressing in loudest terms their gratification over the recent Democratic victory. The streets were brilliantly illuminated with electric lights, torches and burning tar barrels, and the whole city turned out to do honor to the Nation's illustrious president.

$50,000 FIRE AT ROXBORO.

Building Occupied by Postoffice and Others Destroyed.

Roxboro, N. C., Nov. 16.—Fire of undetermined origin today destroyed the building here occupied by the postoffice and several stores and damaged adjoining property, the total loss being estimated at $50,000. Dr. J. T. Tucker, whose office was in the structure, was slightly injured when he attempted to save personal property from the flames. The entire dry goods stock of Morton & Satterfield, the owners of the building, was destroyed with a loss of about $15,000. Insurance of $12,000 was carried on the building.

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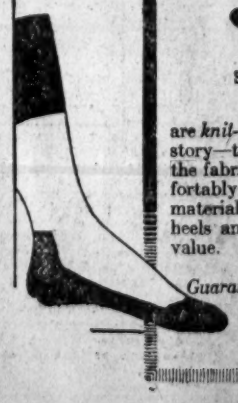

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WILL ASK COUNCIL TO IMPROVE WATER STREET

Chamber Also Endorses Extension of Water Mains.

Project to Pave South Front Street Given Approval by Commercial Body at Monthly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon.

The improvement of Water street from Dock to Grace and of Nutt street from Grace to Red Cross and the extension of the city's water mains to the northeastern part of Wilmington in the vicinity of the plant of the Wynnewood Lumber Compnay met with the endorsement of the Chamber of Commerce at its regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, and Council will be asked to take some steps immediately to have these matters attended to. The chamber also endorsed the proposed improvement of South Front street beyond Castle.

The proposed improvements to these streets wil cost not less than $30,000 according to estimates that have been made, and as the city does not have the money, Council will be asked to borrow it, if no other means can be devised. It is estimated that it will require not less than $6,000 to secure the extension of the water mains but the latter is considered of ytal importance by the chamber as owners of the manufacturing plants in the northern part o fthe city state that they have been fighting unsuccessfully for three years to get adequate water protection.

Council made an investigation of the project but has deferred action until some money is in hand.

After considerable discussion, the chamber adopted a motion, made by Mr. Roger Moore, that both the manufacturing committee, which has investigated the feasibility of extending the water mains, and the committee on streets and wharves shall prosecute to a successful conclusion, so far as possible, the carrying out of these improvements by Council. Both committees will be expected to appear before Council and present the urgent necessity of having something done.

Mr. M. W. Divine explained that while he was heartily in accord with both propositions, he doubted the wisdom the chamber's going further than endorsing the projects. To undertake such a course, as suggested for every project endorsed, would entail an endless amount of work and besides would place the chamber in the position of trying not only to run the affairs of the city but of many private enterprises as well.

Mr. Z. W. Whitehead advocated going before Council and pushing the propositions. He couldn't see that any harm would be done, even if the chamber did succeed in taking over the affairs of the city government.

Mr. Roger Moore was firmly of the opinion that one of the weaknesses of the chamber in the past has been the disposition to do a lot of "resoluting" without going further. He thought that once a proposition was endorsed, it should be pushed to the end.

Mr. J. Allan Taylor declared that Mr. Divine had raised a question that is fundamental. He pointed out that the Chamber of Commerce is nothing more than an organization of business men, essentially unselfish in its purposes. This very fact makes it highly important that when an enterprise or undertaking is seen to be of vital importance to the community that the Chamber should exert its utmost influence to see that it is carried through. He felt that the committees should have the active backing of the chamber.

Mr. J. C. Williams, chairman of the committee on manufacturing, which submitted the report recommending the extension of the water mains, stated that his committee had investigated the project thoroughly and that certainly the support of the chamber was desired "to the last notch."

Mr. H. Lacy Hunt, chairman of the committee on streets and wharves, in submitting his report, stated that Councilman Bradshaw, in charge of streets, had met with the committee and was heartily in favor of improving Water street but that there were no funds for the work. The bulk of the business of the city, he pointed out, is done over this street which is in a very bad condition and is practically impassable at certain places.

Mr. L. B. Sasser advocated the opening up of this street from the Atlantic Coast Line crossing to the terminals of the Clyde Line at the foot of Castle street. He moved an amendment to the motion endorsing the improvement of the street but President Jacobi ruled that this was a separate matter following a statement from Mr. J. Allan Taylor, who declared that this would be putting a possibility against a practical impossibility at the present time. Mr. Taylor pointed out the importance of the river front to the city and showed the great need of having water street in good condition because of the large amount of traffic. This is of vitally importance, said he, because Wilmington has to compete with other ports and every item added to the cost of doing business makes it harder to meet competition.

Mr. Taylor, as chairman of the traffic committee, announced that while Mr. W. J. Craig, passenger traffic manager of the A. C. L., had conceded to the request to put on an additional train to Conway, S. C., that unprecedented conditions which make it very difficult to get coal made it unwise at the present time to push the proposition for the reason that the Coast Line now finds it hard to get enough coal to operate its present trains. Mr. Taylor stated that he did not expect any change in conditions until after the European war.

While he did not consider it wise to push the matter of putting on additional trains at the present time, he did feel that the trains now in operation should be run on time. While he did not travel much and did not know from personal observation that passenger trains frequently run behind time, he had heard much complaint from others. He emphasized the importance of having trains operated on schedule time and thought that the railroads should see that this is done.

Mr. Taylor reported that his committee had not yet been able to find an available man to head the newly created traffic bureau but that it was hoped to have one within the next month. It

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GRAND JURY MAKES REPORT

Report Criticises Mildly Certain Conditions at County Institutions and Recommends Improvements.

Criticism of allowing implements and machinery at the county stockade to be left to the exposure of the weather, leaking of the two cages for convicts at Camp No. 2, the supply of drinking water at the county home as unfit for use, and recommendations that the foregoing conditions be improved forthwith, constituted the main features of the report submitted yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the grand jury to Judge G. W. Connor, presiding judge in Superior Court. Judge Connor directed the clerk of the Superior Court to furnish the Board of County Commissioners with a copy of the report at once. The report reads as follows:

"To Honorable G. W. Connor, judge presiding:

"We, the grand jury for this term of Superior Court, beg to submit the following report:

"We have passed on 156 bills, finding 153 true bills and three not true bills, and have made two presentments.

"We have visited and inspected the different county institutions and desire to report as follows:

"Count Stockade—We found conditions at the county stockade to be very satisfactory as to the heating and general management of the building, as well as all provisions necessary for the comfort of the inmates. We asked different questions as to the treatment of prisoners and all claimed to be satisfied with the treatment received. We beg to report, however, that we found all implements, such as carts, wagons and all kinds of machinery as is used in road construction, exposed to all kinds of weather and that there is no provision made as to the housing of such machinery, and we recommend that suitable provision be made at once for protecting this property, as the depreciation from exposure to the weather would in a short time prove a greater loss to the country than the investment necessary to provide proper protection. The live stock is all in good condition and all outbuildings are apparently in good repaid.

"Convict Camp ,No. 2, Market street road—We made a careful inspection of this camp and beg to state that the two cages in use at this camp are in very bad condition; the roofs of both these cages were leaking at the time we made the inspection, and the facilities for heating same were very poor. We have been advised by the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners that these camps would be abandoned in the near future. We recommend that should this action be delayed for any length of time that all prisoners now stationed at this camp be transferred to the county stockade on Saturday nights and allowed the privileges of the stockade during the Sabbath day and not be returned to the local camp before Monday morning. Also that they be transferred to the county stockade during any weather which would prevent them from working on the road. We also recommend that the tent used as a dining room at this camp be abandoned, and that if it is necessary to use this camp further that the meals be served to the prisoners in their cells, or that one or two of the buildings used as headquarters for the guards be arranged so that the convicts can take their meals there.

"County Home—We made a very careful inspection of the buildings as well as the supplies on hand, and also investigation of the general management. We should like to report for the benefit of the recently appointed manager that we found a very small amount of farm products on hand, indicating that last season's crop was practically a failure. All machinery and live stock we found in good condition and properly housed.

"We found the buildings in very good condition, with the exception of the two kitchens, one dining-room, pantry and entrance hall, adjacent to these. The walls of these rooms we would recommend to be put in good condition by having the walls cleaned and refinished, as at the present time they are not in a sanitary condition.

"The supply of drinking water judging from complaints received, should be analyzed as our inspection reveals the fact that it is really unfit for use. We questioned a number of the inmates and they all expressed themselves as being well satisfied and receiving the best attention.

"Court House and Jail—We have inspected the jail and found same to be in good condition, both as to cleanliness and treatment of prisoners, and that proper provisions have been made for the necessary comforts of the prisoners.

"The Court House building is also in very good condition, with the exception of the toilet in the jury room on the second floor, which we recommend be attended to at once, also that the Recorder's court room be properly heated and repairs made or the location changed, as the present quarters are inadequate.

"City and county disposal plant—We would recommend that the Board of Health make an inspection of the abandoned disposal plant near Oakdale cemetery and that all septic tanks not now in use be destroyed and that the premises be put in sanitary condition. We have received a number of complaints in reference to this plant. We would also recommend that Macumber's ditch, which is near Oakdale cemetery, receive attention from the proper authorities, as it is partially closed up and has not the proper drainage.

"City Sidewalks—We would recommend that proper steps be taken immediately to secure an equitable enforcement of the city ordinance as to the construction of sidewalks, as from complains received we find that undue discrimination is being shown in the enforcement of this law.

"For the grand jury,

"L. STEIN,
"Foreman."

"W. R. NYE,
"Secretary."

TEXTILE MEN TO MEET.

Semi-Annual Convention Will be Held in Columbia, S. C.

The semi-annual convention of the Southern Textile Association will meet in Columbia November 17-18. An attractive programme has been arranged, including besides the business sessions an automobile trip through the city, and a boat ride down the Congaree river, and a ball at the Jefferson hotel. A number of Wilmingtonians are planning to attend.

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THINKS MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WILL BE LOST

Dr. Hurt Preaches Very Impressive Sermon in Revival

Answers Question "How Many People Will be Saved at Last" and Gives Evidence in Support of Answer—Attendance.

"Evidence is that the majority of people will be lost," was the startling declaration of Dr. John J. Hurt in his sermon last night answering the question, "How Many People Will be Saved at Last?" which had been announced as the subject of the evening sermon in the series of revival meetings being conducted by him at the First Baptist church. "I know this is shocking to our desires," he said, "but we stick to the evidence as against our desires."

The service last night was marked by considerably increased attendance and more spirited interest on the part of the congregation, which joined more heartily than ever in the song service led by a special choir and directed by Mr. Walter E. Rodgers, of Atlanta, who is proving himself remarkably efficient in the task of inducing all the folks to sing. Mr. Rodgers very effectively rendered as a solo "The Ninety and Nine." Tonight he will sing as a solo "His Eye is On the Sparrow." Dr. Hurt's subject tonight will be "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder." There have been professions and additions to the church at each of the evening services since Sunday.

Dr. Hurt last night read Luke 13: 3-28, in which Christ gave the parables of the Fruitless Fig Tree, the grain of mustard seed and the leaven and exhorted men to "strive to enter in at the strait gate; for many I say unto you will seek to enter in and shall not be able." Taking up the question, "How Many People Will be Saved at Last?" Dr. Hurt said this is an interesting question; also the answer is interesting. He said that no man ever provoked more questions than Jesus.

"I, too, want to know how many people will be saved," the preacher said. "There has been so much preaching; so much teaching, from mother's knee to the great university; so much praying for the unconverted; so many revivals, exhortations, appealing songs of invitation—what will be the outcome of it all?"

Then he declared that the evidence is that the majority of people will be lost and proceeded to give the evidence, first pointing out what observation discloses, saying:

"The great majority of the people we see are not spending much time worrying about what will happen beyond the grave. Count on your fingers those who are really seeking 'first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,' first in time, first in importance, and first in affection.

"Wilmington is the most religious city I know, and some say that ours is the largest congregation, but I have not preached to half our members on any Sunday that I have been here. Why? The plain, unvarnished truth is that they have not been interested.

"Take a look at the larger cities of so-called Christian America. New York, Chicago, San Francisco have already gone to the devil; and others are on the way. As cities they have no Sabbath, no moral standards—and old-fashioned Bible honesty in business is a joke."

"What does scientific investigation say?" Dr. Hurt asked.

"Hear what United States Census Bulletin No. 103 says, namely: that only 39.1 per cent of all the population of these United States even pretends to be religious—that is 39.1 per cent of our population is inside the churches, and 60.9 per cent of our population is outside the churches. And when I say 'churches' I mean Christian, Jewish, Catholic, Buddhistic, Mohammedan and all. And yet we call this country 'Christian America.' If it is as bad as that here, what must be the conditions in London, Berlin, Paris, Hong Kong, Petrograd and other cities that are worse?

"Let us listen now, to the voice of Revelation. Matthew says: 'Enter ye in by the narrow gate—for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many be they that enter in thereby. For narrow is the gate and straightened is the way that leadeth unto life, and few be they that find it.' And yet the teaching of all Scripture is that any man can find the way that looks for it. The trouble is—men do not want the way.

"But the practical part of this dialogue is the answer of Jesus to the man's question. He said to him, 'Strive.' He wanted him to strive, because it would be hard for him to win, because of the flesh. He would have to strive.

"Because the gate is narrow. Some things cannot pass through it. Indifference cannot. The unbelieving heart cannot. 'He that believeth not shall be damned.' The unrepentant heart cannot. 'Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish.'

"Because the gate is guarded:

"Some one will knock when the door is shut
Shall you, Shall I?
Hear a voice saying I know you not
Shall you, Shall I?"

"Because some day the gate will be closed. Jesus sees all this, and says, 'Strive.' All will strive at last. Strive now, to some avail. Begin by surrendering your will, taking the programme of Jesus for your life—following it through."

BAPTIST-SOLDIER GAME OFF.

No Coin in Sight for Thanksgiving Gridiron Battle.

It begins to look as if Wilmington football fans are going to have to journey outside the city to see their Turkey day gridiron battle. The proposed game between Wake Forest and Fort Caswell has fallen through, just because nobody will coms across with the necessary iron men to insure the Baptist warriors their daily bread while they are here.

This game was planned for Sunset Park and would have been a real treat for those who will be unable to attend the Virginia-Carolina classic or the Aggie-Washington & Lee slaughter at Raleigh. However, it costs real coin to hear the big noise, therefore, the Baptists and Soldiers will look elsewhere for their Thanksgiving games or their lamentations.

SUPERIOR COURT TO ADJOURN

Judge Connor Refers Probe of Possible Conspiracy in Walker Case to Solicitor Peschau—Motions.

Owing to the fact that all the cases on the docket for the present criminal term have been disposed of and court is about to adjourn, Judge G. W. Connor announced yesterday that the probe into a possible conspiracy on the part of certain State's witnesses against the defendant in the case of State against Charlie Walker, colored, charged with criminal assault on Willie McAlister, colored, would be referred to County Solicitor Geo. L. Peschau in order to determine whether what action, if any, should be taken in the premises.

Immediately after the opening of court, Judge Connor asked Solicitor Homer L. Lyon if he had found time to investigate the matter, and upon being informed that he had not, stated that he had hardly thought Solicitor Lyon would have had time to prepare the case on so short notice. The court directed that in case Solicitor Peschau desires it, he is to be furnished a transcript of the evidence in the Walker case as taken down by the court stenographer.

Upon ascertaining that the witnesses in the case, Willie McAlister, Detective Brown and DeWitt Duncan were present in court, he directed that they be discharged. Levi Merritt was also mentioned by Judge Connor in directing the investigation into the possible plot. He was under subpoena by the State and although he did not appear as a witness, his name recurred frequently during the trial of the case on Wednesday.

Judgments of non-suit were entered in the following cases: Luke Davis against the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company; M. B. Rahm against Z. W. Whitehead; G. W. Anderson against W. H. Alderman, and Ham Adams against T. A. Green.

The disposal of the remainder of cases on the motion docket by continuance or otherwise was delayed until this morning at 10 o'clock by reason of the fact that counsel interested were in the midst of trial of a case in Federal court.

An order has been entered in Superior court that in all cases against defendants indicted at this term for violation of poll tax ordinance in failing to list such for 1916, judgment is to be suspended upon the defendants exhibiting receipts for taxes and upon payment of the costs. Costs amount to something like about $10.

Sheriff S. P. Cowan will leave this morning for Raleigh with M. Humphries and William Robas, of New York City, whom Judge Connor sentenced to a term of one year each in the State prison upon their pleading guilty to the theft of an automobile belonging to Dr. Harlee Bellamy, of this city. M. C. Jones, who was sentenced to 60 days on the county roads upon being found guilty of carrying a concealed weapon, has been sent out to the county stockade.

NO CHECK ON LEATHER PRICES AND HIDES SCARCE.

Belligerents Are Buying All Over the World, It is Claimed.

Hide and leather prices are as uncertain from day to day as prices of stocks in Wall Street, according to the New York Journal of Commerce, which states that merchants in the leather district are in a mad scramble for imported and domestic hides and for finished stock. The source of supply is limited. Great Britain and France, after sequestering the available hides at home have sent buyers to South America and the United States where shipments are now moving to the other side.

Russia recently made a contract in this country for "sides," "backs" and "bends" which calls for deliveries over 1917, and all the big shoe factories of the country are busy on war orders which have cut deeply into the supply of leather. The price of finished leather has risen from 28 to 29 cents a pound.

Local retail dealers complain that deliveries from factories are slow, but manufacturers say the retailers are overstocking in the belief that prices are going higher. Buyers are being warned against overloading on the ground that old stock will be difficult to sell, and may lead to bankruptcy if the retailer is unable to sell at present high prices. Tanners, importers and wholesalers, according to The Journal, unite in the opinion that the scarcity of hides is a world-wide condition; that it is due to war demands, and they can see no way to check the advance.

CONFIRMATION SERVICES.

Bishop Thos. C. Darst Will be at St. John's Church Tonight.

Bishop Thos. C. Darst will conduct services for baptism and confirmation at St. John's Episcopal church tonight at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. E. Cox, the rector, invites all who are interested to attend this service.

Thin People Can Increase Weight

Thin men and women who would like to increase their weight with 10 or 15 pounds of healthy "stay there" fat should try eating a little Sargol with their meals for a while and note results. Here is a good test worth trying. First weigh yourself and measure yourself. Then take Sargol—one tablet with every meal—for two weeks. Then weigh and measure again. It isn't a question of how you look or feel or what your friends say and think. The scales and the tape measure will tell their own story, and many thin men and women we believe can easily add from five to eight pounds in the first fourteen days by following this simple direction. And best of all the new flesh stays put.

Sargol does not of itself make fat, but mixing with your food, it aims to prepare the fattening strength-giving material of what you have eaten, into rich, ripe, fat producing nourishment for the tissues and blood—prepare it in an easily assimilated form which the blood can readily accept. Much of this nourishment now passes from your body as waste. But Sargol works to stop the waste. But Sargol works to make the fat-producing contents of the very same meals you are eating now develop pounds and pounds of healthy flesh between skin and bones. Sargol is safe, pleasant, efficient and inexpensive. All leading druggists in this vicinity sell it in large boxes—forty tablets to a package—on a guarantee of weight increase or money back, as found in each large box.—adv.

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BANKS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Wilmington is the financial center and clearing house for the Carolinas. The local institutions have direct dealings with almost every bank in the two States. The banking institutions of this city are all strong and able to finance any legitimate business needs of the community. Below is given a comparison of the increase of the banking business in Wilmington for eight years, which shows that the capital and surplus of the Wilmington banks have increased practically one million dollars, while for the same period the deposits have increased approximately four and one-half million dollars.

STATEMENT FOR 1908.	Capital and Surplus	Deposits
Murchison National Bank	$ 855,424.85	$3,034,185.35
Wilmington Savings & Trust Company	223,439.41	1,316,682.24
People's Savings Bank	102,345.00	901,058.56
Southern National Bank	329,537.68	1,285,261.57
American National Bank	92,296.35	143,261.18
Atlantic Trust & Banking Company	86,991.62	626,360.45
	$1,690,034.91	$7,306,809.35

STATEMENT FOR 1916.	Capital and Surplus	Deposits
Murchison National Bank	$1,718,028.03	$5,458,712.80
American Bank & Trust Company	228,471.50	2,174,709.45
Wilmington Savings & Trust Company	380,973.80	2,515,243.08
People's Savings Bank	180,394.22	1,287,989.20
Home Savings Bank	85,479.50	263,421.67
Citizens Bank	50,655.64	34,062.71
	$2,624,002.78	$11,734,138.91

Increase in eight years ..... $ 933,967.87 $4,427,329.56

—From Wilmington Chamber of Commerce "Bulletin."

MISS HUDSON TO SPEAK.

Field Representative of Orphan's Home Will be at St. Andrew's.

Miss Victoria Hudson, field representative of the Orphan's Home at Barium Springs, will speak in the memorial hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church this evening at 8 o'clock and with the aid of her stereopticon will show views of the grounds, buildings and work of the home. This is done in order that all supporters of the home may understand the work done there and give intelligently to the support of the home. The public is invited to this lecture.

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IN THE RECORDER'S COURT

Prisoner Waits While Warrant Is Issued for Him.

So anxious was Adrian St. George to fall into the clutches of the law, that he submitted in Recorder's court yesterday morning without the formality of having a warrant issued for him. He "lowed" that he was wanted on a charge of assault on a female, and the officers were perfectly willing to take his word for it, so he remained in custody while a warrant was issued. His trial was continued until this morning.

The only other case coming before the court yesterday was that of William Shaw, William Howard and Charlie Cobb, charged with firing a pistol in the city limits. The case was nol prossed after being continued from Wednesday.

STOLEN TIRES FOUND.

Policeman A. D. Smith Recovers Property Stolen Wednesday Night.

Two of the three automobile tires which were stolen from the machines of Dr. James F. Robinson and Mr. R. L. Henley on Wednesday night, while the latter were attending a marriage in the First Presbyterian church, were recovered yesterday morning by Policeman A. D. Smith. They were found in the street at Sixth and Dock, shortly after the owners had reported to the officers that they had been stolen.

How to Keep the Face Young and Attractive

The way to ward off old age is not to fear it, not to allow one's self to be oppressed by the dread of advancing years. Use only legitimate preventives and avoid trying experiments with preparations that have not stood the test of time. An entirely safe and very effective way to keep the complexion young-looking and beautiful is to apply ordinary mercolized wax at bedtime, using it like cold cream, washing it off in the morning. This gradually absorbs the withered, faded cuticle, which is replaced by the more youthful, pink-tinted underskin. One ounce of this wax, to be had at any drug store, is enough to completely rejuvenate a worn-out complexion.

Crow's feet and other wrinkles, the first signs of advancing age, may be removed by a simple, harmless preparation made by dissolving an ounce of powdered saxolite in a half pint witch hazel. It is used as a face bath.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Louise Livingston left yesterday afternoon for Warsaw, where she will spend a few days.

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Mrs. T. D. Harris, of Orange, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. W. L. Harlow, of this city.

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The Girls' Friendly Society of the Church of the Ascension will give a silver tea party tonight at 8 o'clock. The public is invited.

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Lumberton Robesonian, Monday: "Bishop T. C. Darst, of Wilmington, preached at Trinity P. E. church yesterday at 11 A. M."

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Friends of Mr. J. A. Springer, who has been confined to his home for some weeks by illness, will be glad to know that he is now improving and hopes to be out in a short time.

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The Luther League of St. Paul's Lutheran church will give a social to its members and their friends this evening at 8 o'clock. A surprise awaits all those who attend and an enjoyable time is promised.

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This evening at 8:00 o'clock in the church parlors there will be a business and social meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society of the First Presbyterian church. All of the young people of the congregation are invited. A good time is promised to all who attend.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. M. King, of Philadelphia, are visiting relatives in the city and are guests at the home of Mrs. King's brother, Mrs. Wm. E. Springer, on North Second street. Mr. King expects to return in a few days, but Mrs. King will spend part of the winter in the city.

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The Helen Alexander League of business women held a very enjoyable and inspiring meeting last night at the Y. W. C. A. After a delicious supper, plans were discussed for carrying on the work for the ensuing year. Miss Mary Worth was elected president and a committee of 12 women was appointed to arrange for meetings to prepare programmes. There were 150 young women present at the supper and luncheon.

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Rowland, N. C., Nov. 16.—Invitations reading as follows have been issued:

Mrs. Sallie Gray McCormac
requests the honor of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter
Bess
to
Mr. Hiram Watson Rainey
on Wednesday afternoon
November the twenty-second
at five o'clock
First Presbyterian church
Rowland, North Carolina

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MISS DITMORE BECOMES THE HOUSE SECRETARY OF Y. W. C. A.

Miss Rozelle Ditmore, who has been the very efficient assistant secretary of the Y. W. C. A. for the last several months, has been made house secretary to succeed Mrs. Rose Harrison, who was recently called to her home in Tennessee on account of a death in her family. Miss Ditmore in addition to her duties as house secretary will also be office secretary.

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The service today in observance of the World Fellowship Week, which is being held under the auspices of the local Y. W. C. A., will be held at the home of Mrs. K. W. Price at Sunset Park this morning at 11 o'clock. The leaders will be Mrs. M. H. Shepherd and Mrs. M. T. Plyler. The subject will be "The Warring Nations of Europe." Miss Nancy Anderson will sing a solo. All women of the city are invited to attend. The car will leave Front and Princess streets at 10:20 o'clock.

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Handsomely engraved announcement cards have been issued reading as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Hall
announce the marriage of their
daughter
Bettie Jocelyn
to
Mr. August Leger Meyland
on Thursday, November the sixteenth
nineteen hundred and sixteen
Wilmington, North Carolina
At Home
after December first
1915 Wolcott Avenue
Carolina Place

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CITY EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR SOUTH TO VISIT HERE

Miss Leona St. George, city executive for the South Atlantic field of the Young Women's Christian Association, will be here next week. This will be Miss St. George's first visit here since she succeeded Miss Ada Starkweather, who is so pleasantly remembered for her splendid work in assisting in founding the Y. W. C. A. While in the city Miss St. George will be the guest of Mrs. John R. Kenly, president of the Wilmington Y. W. C. A.

Several meetings are being arranged at which Miss St. George will make addresses on the work of the Y. W. C. A. in the South.

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NEW BERN COUPLE SPRING SURPRISE ON THEIR FRIENDS.

New Bern, N. C., Nov. 16.—Miss Lilite Dail, a charming and attractive daughter of Mrs. M. E. Dail, and Mr. W. E. Rowe, Jr., of this city, surprised their many friends last night when they were quietly married at the home of the bride's mother, No. 24 Griffith street, the ceremony being performed in the presence of a few relatives and friends by Rev. Euclid McWhorter, pastor of Centenary Methodist church.

It was known that Mr. Rowe and Miss Dail were engaged to be married but the date had not been announced and it was supposed to have been set for some time next month and the consummation of the nuptials last night was quite a surprise.

Mr. Rowe is the manager of the local office of the Postal Telegraph Company.

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Fayetteville, N. C., Nov. 16.—The following wedding invithtion will be read with interest throughout the State:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Sheetz
invite you to be present
at the marriage of their daughter
Mary Helen
to
Dr. Arden Freer
on Tuesday evening, the twenty-eighth of November
at half after eight o'clock
Fayetteville, North Carolina
Reception immediately after the ceramony at home.

The bride-elect is a beautiful, attractive and highly cultured young lady, and her approaching marriage is a social event around which much interest is centered.

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DELIGHTFUL AND INSTRUCTIVE PROGRAMME IS RENDERED.

The Civics and Household Economics Department of Sorosis had a very enjoyable meeting yesterday afternoon at the club rooms on North Third street. One of the most delightful features was the musical programme which included vocal solos by Misses Katherine Vollers and Katie Foard and instrumental solos by Miss Katie Foard and Mrs. R. G. Grady.

Those present were very interested in the splendid address made by Dr. J. Buren Sidbury, who spoke of the fine work done by the milk station for infants during the past summer. He showed how the infant mortality had been greatly reduced and pointed with pride to the fact that Wilmington has now provided a baby hospital, a baby clinic and a milk depot for infants, a distinction that no other city in the State can claim.

The ladies enjoyed the delicious coffee served by those conducting a demonstration at Belk-Williams Co., this week under the auspices of Sorosis.

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MISS JOCELYN HALL BRIDE OF MR. AUGUST L. MEYLAND

Of interest to a wide circle of friends here and elsewhere will be the announcement of the marriage of Miss Bettie Jocelyn Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Hall, and Mr. August Leger Meyland, which was solemnized in the parsonage of St. Paul's Lutheran church last night, Rev. F. B. Clausen officiating.

The bride was becomingly attired in a suit of blue chiffon broadcloth with gray fur trimmings, with which was worn a waist of Georgette crepe with touches of silver lace, gray shoes and gloves, and a picture hat, trimmed in silver.

Mrs. Meyland is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hall, No. 819 South Front street, and is an accomplished young woman of pleasing personality. Mr. Meyland is the popular and efficient deputy register of deeds of New Hanover county and numbers his friends by the circle of his acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyland will be at home to friends after December 1st at No. 1915 Wolcott avenue, Carolina Place.

NOT STREET DEPARTMENT

Horses About Which Complaint Was Made Belong to Water Department.

The three horses about which Councilman L. M. Bunting, purchasing agent for the city, made complaint because they are not kept at the city stables at night are not used in the street department, it is stated, but by heads of divisions in the water department. Unless there was good reason why these horses should be kept at the homes of the employes, Councilman Bunting thought that they should be kept in the stables. All of the horses of the street department are kept at the stables at night.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Among the arrives at The Wilmington yesterday were: W. C. Via, Wadesboro; B. M. Norton, Charlotte; S. E. Lindsay, Durham; A. G. Chase, Salisbury; J. F. Campbell, Charlotte.

—Among the arrivals at The Orton yesterday were: R. F. Rawls, Rocky Mount; Nathan O'Berry, Goldsboro; Lawrence Brett; T. L. Pase, Wilson; H. A. McKinnon, G. B. Patterson, Maxton; J. E. Carpenter, Maxton; J. F. Bussels, Southport.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Only two deeds were filed yesterday in the office of the Register of Deeds, as follows: Co-operative Building & Loan Association to C. B. Parmele, property on Harnett street, consideration $500; Ingrum Baggett and others, to Edward O. Allen and others, property on Greenville Sound road, for $250 and other considerations.

TO HAVE ENTERTAINMENT

Big Social Event Will be Held at Boys' Brigade Armory Tonight.

The Wilmington Maccabees are planning an enjoyable entertainment at the Boys' Brigade armory tonight. With the co-operation of the lady Maccabees under the capable leadership of Mrs. Briell, the State Commander, of Richmond, Va., the Sir Knights of Cape Fear Tent, No. 15, are expecting to spend an enjoyable evening of mirth and laughter.

The big feature will be the presentation of a play giving a mock marriage. A small charge for admission will be made.

Q-BAN REVIVES COLOR GLANDS

Darkens Gray Hair Naturally.

Q-Ban Hair Color Restorer is no dye, scalp healthy and restoring the color but acts on the roots, making hair and glands of the hair. So if your hair is gray, faded, bleached, prematurely gray, brittle or falling, apply Q-Ban Hair Color Restorer (as directed on bottle) to hair and scalp. In a short time all your gray hair will be restored to an even, delicate, dark shade, and entire head of hair will become soft, fluffy, long, thick and of such an even, beautiful dark color no one could tell you had applied Q-Ban. Also stops dandruff and falling hair, leaving your hair fascinating and abundant, without even a trace of gray. Sold on a money-back guarantee. 50 cents for a big bottle, at Green's Drug Store, Wilmington, N. C. Out-of-town folks supplied by mail.

NATIONAL SHELL FISH DAY

Every Family in the Country Urged to Eat Oysters on Friday, November 24th—Letter.

Friday, November 24th, has been named as "Shell Fish Day" throughout the country by the president of the National Association of Fisheries Commissioners, and it is hoped that every family in the country will make an effort to procure and enjoy shell fish dinners on that day. This day has been set apart in order to call attention to the splendid food value of oysters and other shell fish.

Oysters and other shell fish have never been more plentiful nor better in every way at this time of the year, according to Mr. H. L. Gibbs, of Morehead City, Fisheries Commissioner for North Carolina, who is actively backing the movement in this State. He especially urges that all the papers of the State, the county superintendents of public instruction and the teachers in the schools give this suggestion their careful consideration.

From the secretary of the National Association of Fisheries Commissioners, Mr. F. L. Perry, of New Haven, Conn., Mr. Gibbs has recently received the following letter:

"Friday, the 24th, has been named as 'Shell Fish Day' throughout the United States, by the president of the National Association of Fisheries Commissioners. It is recommended that on that day the people be recommended to eat oysters and other shell fish; that the value of this food be brought to the attention of the people through the newspapers and the public schools and in any other proper way. Also that it is the cheapest article of food on the market when its nutritive value is considered, and always has been.

"Yours very truly,
"F. L. PERRY, Secretary."

FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE FIND CONDITIONS HERE GOOD

Only Five Delinquences Out of Total of 39 in One Block.

Wilmington seems to be in a pretty fair condition as far as the scattering of inflammable materials on the street, and defective wiring in buildings is concerned, according to the inspection tour that is being made of the city by the members of the North Carolina Fire Prevention Association.

The committee looked over some 600 buildings in the city and found things generally to be in good condition. In one block where 39 inspections were made, only five showed a necessity for further mention. Letters are sent to the owners of all premises where inflammable material is found carelessly scattered about or where other defects make it liable to fire.

In event of the owner paying no attention to these letters, in many instances the fire insurance companies will decline to assume further risk. The committee will probably remain in the city until Saturday.

HAVE DARK HAIR AND LOOK YOUNG

Don't Stay Gray! Nobody Can Tell When You Darken Gray, Faded Hair With Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Grandmother kept her hair beautifully darkened, glossy and attractive with a brew of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Whenever her hair took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect. By asking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this old-time recipe, improved by the addition of other ingredients, all ready to use, for about 50 cents. This simple mixture can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair.

A well-known downtown druggist says everybody uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied—it's so easy to use, too. You simply dampen a comb or soft brush and draw it through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two it is restored to its natural color, and looks glossy, soft and beautiful. This preparation is a delightful toilet requisite. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

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Whip sweetened cream until stiff; flavor with almond extract and sherry; add chopped blanched almonds and spread between and over the layers. Garnish with cherries.

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WILL ASK COUNCIL TO IMPROVE WATER STREET

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is not an easy matter, said he, to find a competent man for this position.

President Jacobi, who presided at the meeting, explained in connection with the reports of the different committees, that a consistent policy had been adopted of having the committees investigate thoroughly all propositions before they are brought to the attention of the chamber and that this had been fund to be very satisfactory all around.

Mr. Taylor in making his report called attention to the fact that the Regal Bag Company has recently opened up a branch factory in Wilmington on an experimental basis and he thought that the project should be given every encouragement. Such a plant would mean the expenditure of $300,000 or $400,000 a year, most of which would be paid out in wages.

Mr. D. L. Gore submitted the report of the committee on cotton quotations, which recently decided to get quotations from Norfolk in addition to those already received from Charleston and Savannah and to make the minimum quotation for cotton in Wilmington not less than the lowest of either of the other three ports named.

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THEATRICAL

There is a great treat in store for Grand patrons today in the presentation, first of the last great chapter of that stirring and enthralling Pathe serial achievement, "The Grip of Evil" which will come to a glorious finish today at the Grand. Probably never in the history of serials, has one had such a consistent, though not record-breaking in point of number, following as this great serial. Those who saw the first chapter—which was not so very large a crowd owing to bad weather, have consistently followed it through 13 chapters and today will witness the 14th and final chapter of this great serial.

Roland Bottomly and Jackie Saunders will be seen for the last times in this great serial at the Grand today, the final thrilling chapter being entitled "Mankind Triumphant" showing plainly and proving conclusively that humanity is not in the grip of evil.

Chester Conklin, that great old Keystone favorite, furnishes the laughs for the day in the greatest Triangle Keystone comedy ever released, "His First False Step", a two-reeler roar in which the great laugh maker is supported by Mary Thurman, Mae Wells, Dora Rogers and a quartette of other pretty Keystone bathing girls in some nifty bathing suits. It is a Triangle picture in two reels and has 300 great laughs in 30 minutes. If you are blue or feel bad this picture is the best cure you can take and it costs less than any other medicine you can buy.

"The Shielding Shadow."

Today the Bijou presents another great all-feature bill, such as have characterized the past few Friday bills. The first thing on the programme, of course, is the latest great chapter of that greatest of all Pathe serials, "The Shielding Shadow," in which beautiful Grace Darmond, Leon Barry and Ralph Kellard, supported by other stars of the first magnitude, are breaking all attendance records all over the United States.

This chapter of "The Shielding Shadow," again brings to light the mysterious Ravengar, the avenging hand, the shielding shadow which is causing so much speculation among photoplay patrons all over the land. Never before has a mystery serial of such depth, with such magnificent acting by such big stars been seen on a screen anywhere as this great serial, starring all in the same picture, four of the greatest stars of the screen. The chapter that is to be unreeled today at the Bijou is full of thrills from the first to the last flash, and it is actually getting stronger every week.

Another great feature today is Selig-Tribune News, in which are many exclusive views of the submarine Deutschland on her second visit to America, the most elaborate pictorial portrayal of the giant undersea merchantman that have yet been shown in America.

Then comes a great Kalem Komedy feature, "The New Salesman," with a scream in every line.

Triangle Drama at Royal.

Today at the Royal will be presented an exquisite Triangle drama that should fill that theatre to capacity limits all day long, when that great Triangle-Fine Arts production, "An Innocent Magdalene" and starring that exquisite little photoplay favorite, Lillian Gish, one of the greatest stars of "The Birth of a Nation," supported by all-star Griffith-Triangle cast, including Mary Alden, Spottiswood Aiken, Sam DeGrasse, Seymoud Hastings and Jennie Lee, will be presented for the first time.

"An Innocent Magdalene," is a graphic portrayal of the mischief wrought by slanderous tongues in a small town, and it constitutes one of the strongest preachments against slander that has ever been screened, while not at the same time appearing as a sermon. In this picture the exquisite little emotional artiste plays the role of Dorothy Raleigh, a high spirited Southern beauty who has been brought up by her father, Colonel Raleigh, an unreconstructed Kentuckian, who has nothing to do with the people of his little village. The spite against the Colonel is taken out on the daughter, and before many days she is made to be "An Innocent Magdalene" and portrays with graphic power of emotional acting some of the strongest scenes ever registered on the screen. The all-star support, containing three stars of "The Birth of a Nation" is adequate and furnishes many strong scenes in this great photoplay feature.

Maude Adams Coming.

To pick out the principal charm of any of J. M. Barrie's plays is a difficult matter. The trouble is that his plays have many charms and the principal one is a matter of individual taste, liking and selection. One is forced to conclude that it is the combination of charms that makes the Scotch author's plays so attractive and likewise so enduring. In the study of Mr. Barrie's stage contributions, as shown so artistically by Maude Adams, there is one luminous fact and that is that all his works are based on human nature in its varying phases. This is conclusively shown in "The Little Minister," in which Miss Adams is to be seen at the Academy of Music on next Thursday, November 23. This exquisitely cheerful comedy is an illuminating picture of Scotch life with a winsome, elf-like young woman and a sober-minded young minister as the contrasting figures. The hard-shell religion of the Scot is shown in all its force and humor and with many of the author's deft and skilful touches. Miss Adams has been meeting with much success in this play which first served to introduce her as a star. Prices will range from 50 cents (gallery) to $2. The sale of tickets will open Tuesday morning at Elvington's.

"The Girl Who Smiles."

Bert Leigh and Hazele Burgess, two old friends, are bringing to us at the Academy of Music, matinee and night, tomorrow Adolf Phillipp and Edward A. Paulton's latest musical success, "The Girl Who Smiles." It had a splendid run at the Longacre theatre, New York, of six months, and comes embellished with bewitching costumes and most adequate scenic splendor, and is delicately staged in three acts.

The first represents the garden of a country house in the Argenteuil district, in which the traditional heiress, about to be betrothed to a rich young bounder, runs away with an impecunious artist. The second is the inevitable studio in the Latin Quarter, where, as traditionally, true love does not run smooth. The third returns to the garden, where broken hearts are repaired and obdurate parents are softened by the wiles of Cupid.

The supporting company is a large and most excellent one, while the chorus of charming girls is a thing of joy both to look upon and to gladden the ear.

The bargain matinee prices are 25 cents for the balcony and 50 cents for any seat on the lower floor. Children 25 cents for any seat in the house. Night prices will be from 50 cents to $1. Tickets are on sale at Elvington's Pharmacy.

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Baseball Crisis Is Possibly at Hand

TROUBLE BETWEEN PLAYERS AND CLUB OWNERS AGAIN LOOMING UP—RUMORS OF A THIRD MAJOR LEAGUE.

New York, Nov. 16.—The possibility of trouble between players and club owners again looms large on the baseball horizon. The action of the National Association of Professional Leagues in tabling, without comment, the request of the Players' Fraternity at New Orleans yesterday threatens to bring about a clash between the two organizations that will have far reaching effects.

Although officers of the fraternity refuse to talk for publication, it is known that there have been several recent conferences among players prominent on the board of directors and that a campaign of retaliation has been mapped out which may evolve a situation akin to a strike among the leading players of the major and minor leagues. It is apparent that the disposal of the fraternity's requests by the National Association was anticipated and provisions made to force a reconsideration of the requests both by the big and little league magnates.

The players contend that the request for the elimination in certain contracts of the injury clause suspension; the right to sign new contracts upon receipt of unconditional release; allowance of traveling expenses to minor league players at the beginning of the training season and a revision of the national board's procedure in handling cases brought up for decision by the fraternity, are just and equitable.

It is known that every member of the Players' Fraternity has signed a written agreement not to enter into contracts for 1917 until such time as the consent of the fraternity officials is obtained. It is understood that less than 25 players in the two big leagues have contracts that hold over another season and that no more than one quarter of these are members of the players organization.

The players have stated to friends that they believe the time has arrived when they must stand firm upon their rights if they are to be considered in the coming re-adjustment of professional baseball conditions. The report that Chairman Garry Herrmann, of the National Commission, may be superceded at the next annaul meeting of that body has caused apprehension among the members of the fraternity, as he is considered by that organization to take greater interest in the welfare of the players than the other members of the commission.

Players also are concerned in the reports of a possible third major league; the rumors of clubs being shifted from one city to another and the suit of the former Baltimore Federal League club against organized baseball. This suit for $900,000 will come to trial next February. These taken together with other interesting developments in baseball have led the players to believe, it is understood, that a crisis is at hand. This has strengthened their determination to establish their status in connection with the professional game upon a firm basis which will prevent complications in the future.

DISQUALIFY THREE ATHLETES FOR REMAINDER OF SEASON

Washington, Penn., Nov. 16.—The faculty of Washington and Jefferson College announced today that three members of the football team would not be permitted to participate in athletics of any kind this season because of deficiencies in their scholastic standing. The men affected are W. W. Fain, halfback; M. S. Whitehill, end, and J. H. Nall, guard. All were to have played next Saturday in the game at Richmond, Va., against Washington and Lee.

YALE'S 'VARSITY ELEVEN DID NOT HAVE SCRIMMAGE

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 16—Contrary to expectations, Yale's 'Varsity football team did not have scrimmage work today in the final hard drill for the Princeton game. Coach Jones, however, put the players through a lengthy dummy scrimmage and devoted considerable time to perfecting a defense against the forward pass.

The practice started with a half hour's signal drill in secret, after which the entire student body, led by a band, marched into the ampitheatre and cheered the eleven.

TIGERS PREPARE TO MEET YALE WITH STRONG DEFENSE.

Princeton, N. J., Nov. 16.—A great deal of the practice of the Princeton football eleven today was devoted to preliminary scrimmage in which the coaches attempted to bolster up the defense of the team to meet the attack of Yale on Saturday. Besides the repertoire of plays that Princeton used against Harvard last week several new offensive formations will be uncovered Saturday which should prove effective for ground gaining.

Ames was at half back again today and it looks as though he would start in this position against Yale. The remainder of the backfield consisted of Moore at right halfback; Driggs at fullback, and Eddy at quarterback. Dave Tibbott, who has been on the injured list for several weeks, was out on the stadium field sending drop kicks between the bars from all sorts of distances and angles. There is a slight possibility of his being able to play against Yale.

The undergraduates held a parade and mass meeting tonight.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Joseph B. Tinker virtually has been agreed upon as manager of the Chicago National League club next season, it was announced tonight.

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This 9th day of November, 1916.

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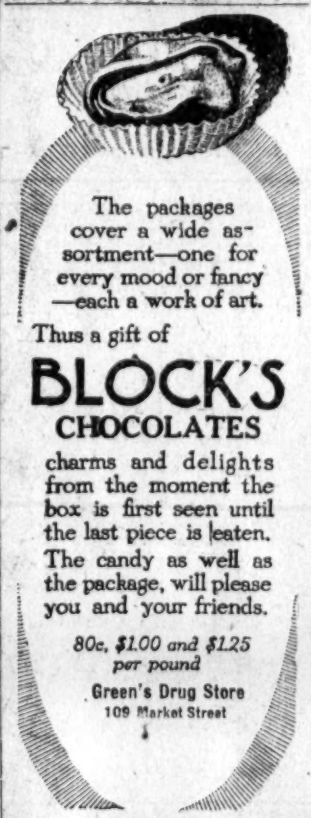

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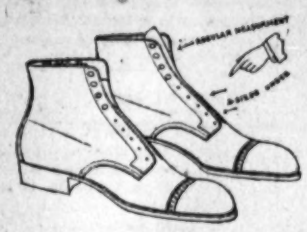

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Chancellor Kirkland Assails Council for "Arbitrary" and "Technical Requirements" for Pre-Medical Students.

Durham, N. C., Nov. 16.—With 50 colleges and secondary schools of the Southern states represented, the 22nd annual meeting of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States opened a two day session at Trinity College today. There were 70 visiting educators present at the initial meeting. President Bert Young, of Vanderbilt University, presided, and Dr. James Y. Joyner made the welcoming speech.

The prospective cut and dried convention was instantly converted into a lively tilt between Chancellor J. H. Kirkland, of Vanderbilt University, and Mr. N. P. Colwell, of Chicago, secretary of the council of the American Medical Association, when the former assailed the medical society. Chancellor Kirkland charged the association with arbitrary and technical methods in prescribing the pre-medical courses for Southern institutions. The distinguished physician from Chicago answered the indictment by entering the plea that such rigid pre-medical requirements in schools were necessary to weed out the ignorant practicing physician. "The physician must be educated. He must know the limitations of his practice," he added. Dr. Colwell made a plea for the continuation of chemistry, biology and foreign languages as pre-medical courses before admitting a student to a medical school. President R. E. Blackwell, of Randolph-Macon College; Prof. Julius Wright, of Mobile, Ala., and Prof. W. F. Russell, of George Peabody College, took part in the discussion.

The commission on accredited schools for the Southern States held a joint session today. Prof. N. W. Walker, Prof. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, and Edwin Pusey, of the Durham City schools, are North Carolina members of the South-wide organization. The commission admitted 61 new schools to membership, bringing the total in the 13 Southern states to 340. North Carolina had eight new high schools accredited by the commission, and its 18 old members were retained.

S. A. L. STOCKHOLDERS MEET.

Board of Directors Re-Elected in Session at Petersburg Yesterday.

Petersburg, Va., Nov. 16.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company was held in the company's offices here today. The board of directors was re-elected.

JOINT MEETING OF MASONS

Lumberton and Fayetteville Chapters of Royal Arch Masons Meet With Concord Chapter Here.

Members of Phoenix chapter, No. 2, of Fayetteville, and of Lumberton Chapter, No. 77, Royal Arch Masons, returned to their homes yesterday after having attended a very enjoyable and profitable joint meeting of these two lodges with Concord Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., on Tuesday night.

This triangular meeting of the three chapters was in accordance with the request of the Grand High Priest, H. E. Reid, of Lincolnton, who at the beginning of his administration suggested that it would be a splendid plan for the chapters in the State to get in closer touch with each other by holding such meetings.

There were three candidates upon whom were conferred the Royal Arch Degree, one from each chapter. The first section of the work was put on late Tuesday afternoon after which the visitors and the local members enjoyed a delightful "spread" and work was resumed at 8:30 o'clock. There was a large attendance of members of the local chapter and the work was put on in splendid style.

Later in the year a delegation from Concord Chapter will attend similar meetings at Fayetteville and Lumberton for the purpose of conferring degrees.

The Fayetteville chapter was represented by Mr. John H. Anderson, Grand Royal Arch Captain and Past High Priest; Dr. E. J. Carson, High Priest; Mr. H. S. Averitt, Past High Priest; Mr. F. R. King, King; Mr. R. H. Upton, Scribe, and Messrs. O. W. Holmes, E. M. Sheetz, D. K. Taylor, C. D. Bain and G. W. Gardner.

The Lumberton chapter was represented by Messrs. John S. McNeill, High Priest, G. E. Ranke, Jr., C. V. Brown, John T. Biggs and J. P. Newman.

DEATH OF NEILL SHAW BEING INVESTIGATED.

No Evidence Found by Coroner's Jury Yet to Implicate Any One.

(By Long Distance Telephone.)

Lumberton, N. C., Nov. 16.—After spending the afternoon taking evidence and investigating the death of Neill Shaw, of the Ten Mile section, who mysteriously disappeared last summer and whose body was found in the woods near his home this week, the coroner's jury adjourned to meet again next Thursday without developing a clue to the guilty party, if the man was murdered. No evidence was produced to implicate any one.

A large number of witnesses from the community in which Shaw lived were examined. Relatives have employed McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor to represent them at the investigation. When the body was found, the skull was fractured all around, but there seems to be no clue as to how he met his death, as yet.

WARREN AWARDED $2,500

Jury in Federal Court Out Since Last Monday is Discharged—Admiralty Case Being Heard.

A compromise verdict for $2,500 in favor of the plaintiff was entered yesterday in Federal Court in the case of E. J. Warren against the Waccamaw Lumber Company, in which action was brought by the plaintiff for $25,000 for the loss of both his feet, one at the ankle and the other near the knee, when run over by the defendant company's engine on the company's premises near Bolton about two years ago.

Following the announcement by counsel that they had agreed on a satisfactory settlement, the jury in the case which had been out since last Monday and had been unable to agree, was discharged.

Rountree, Davis & Carr, and Donald McRacken and Jackson Greer, of Whiteville, represented the plaintiff and Robert Ruark, appeared for the defendant company.

In the matter of the petition as to the liability of the Franco-Ottoman Shipping Company, owners of the steamer Cromwell which ran into and knocked the draw off the pier at the Hilton bridge about two years, testimony of about 17 witnesses was taken yesterday before Judge H. G. Connor.

In this case, an admiralty proceeding, the libellants are the Wilmington Bridge Company, the Atlantic Coast Line Company and the Seaboard Air Line Company.

Thos. W. Davis, John D. Bellamy, W. A. Townes, and Herbert McClammy, Esqs., appeared for the libellants, while Rountree & Carr, and Mr. Kickox, of the firm of Kirlin, Hickox & Woolsey.

VERIFY ELECTION RETURNS

E. H. Cranmer is Duly Declared Elected Senator From This District.

Messrs. C. W. Woodward and R. E. Ranson, chairmen of the county boards of election of New Hanover and Brunswick counties, respectively, met yesterday morning at the County Court House and after comparing the polls verified the returns and found that in the race for State senator from this district candidates received votes as follows:

E. H. Cranmer 3,311
C. Ed. Taylor 195

They, therefore, affixed their signatures to a document filed in the Register of Deeds office declaring that E. H. Cranmer has received a majority of the votes and is duly elected senator from this, the 10th senatorial district of North Carolina. Mr. Taylor publicly stated that he was not a candidate for the senatorship and waged no campaign.

—Mr. D. J. Howes, Jr., left last night for Burlington, where he will attend the annual meeting of the North Carolina Sunday School Association.

C. H. Fore & Co. Are Sole agents for the celebrated Merode Underwear.—(Adv.)

TURKEYS FEAR SLAUGHTER

Mr. A. Strutter Broadtail Practically Admits That He Has Fears for His Own Safety—Prices Reasonable.

Consternation reigns in Turkeyland. A rumor that is constantly gaining credence has gone the round that a general massacre of the inhabitants is planned for November 30. While sage old gobblers refused to concede the fact that this rumor had been officially confirmed, they shook their heads and gobbled gloomily when approached on the subject.

Mr. A. Strutter Broadtail, one of the oldest and best informed gobblers in the land, nodded thoughtfully when the subject was broached to him yesterday. Mr. Broadtail, who now earns a comfortable income by posing on the streets as an advertising and display model for a popular downtown market, after some hesitation agreed to make a statement.

"While I am neither denying or affirming any such rumor," he began, "I will admit that there is considerable fear felt for the safety of some of our leading tribesmen. I understand that one of your great chieftains will shortly issue his annual Thanksgiving proclamation, and that the slaughter of my kinsmen will follow as a matter of course.

"I have never taken part in one of these sacrifices myself, but I distinctly remember back in 1914 when my grandfather and father met death in the battle of Broadaxe, which was waged during the yuletide season. I have also heard my mother tell of an old legend which describes the earliest of these massacres at the hands of a people called the Puritans.

"It has been my hope that the prevailing hard times that all the human race is lamenting just at present, would in a measure offer some protection to us during the present Thanksgiving and Christmas season. I firmly believed that this would make the price demanded for our carcasses so high that few could afford to enjoy our misfortunes.

"A few days ago, however, I heard Mr. Yamburger, (the owner of this establishment) say to a customer that he could quote him such prices as 50 cents per pound for turkey meat, and added that cranberries would cost only about 15 1-4 cents, so that means that every man in the nation will either buy or steal some of my tribesmen for his Thanksgiving dinner.

"This slaughter will be appalling. The turkey race has done nothing to mankind to merit any such treatment. Still there is some little satisfaction in knowing that when such a death does come that we will lie in state for a few hours at least, and occupy the position of honor on more than one bounty laden table.

"After all, it may not be so terrible, for there is still the hope of that elysium where grain grows in abundance, where fat grasshoppers cover the earth, and the terrible man with the murderous axe shall come never again.

"To those of your race who are fearing they will have no turkey dinner, let me say that no more than ordinary prices will prevail, according to the talk I overheard between Mr. Yamburger and some of his customers.

"I myself am old, and if I should at last this year fall a victim to the axe, I pity the poor mortal with unsound teeth that attempts to dissect me."

POULTRY PRIZES AWARDED.

Announcement Made by Committee of Blue Ribbons for Exhibitors.

The committee on awards for the Wilmington Corn Show has announced the list of awards of blue ribbons for the poultry exhibits. There was quite a large display of chickens, this being one of the most creditable features of the fair. The awards are as follows:

Best pen R. I. Reds—First prize, G. A. Bishop, Winter Park.

White Rocks—Second prize, R. W. Montgomery, Masonboro.

Best cock, White Rock—First prize, R. W. Scott, Bolton.

Best cockerel, R. I. Red, First prize, H. S. McGirt, City.

Best hen, White Rock—First prize, R. W. Scott, Bolton.

Best pullet, White Wyandotte—First prize, H. S. McGirt, City.

Best cock, White Leghorn—First prize, L. H. LeGwin, City.

Best cockerel, White Leghorn—First prize, F. G. Hussey, Burgaw.

Best hen, White Leghorn—First prize and second prize, L. H. LeGwin, City.

Best pullet, White Leghorn—First prize, F. G. Hussey, Burgaw; second prize, L. H. LeGwin, City.

Best cock, Game—First prize, L. H. LeGwin; second prize, L. H. Legwin, City.

Best hen, Game—First prize, L. H. LeGwin, City.

Best pullet, Game—First and second prizes, L. H. LeGwin, City.

Best cock, Jack Silkies—First prize, George Price, Sunset Park.

Bronze turkey—First prize, R. W. Scott, Bolton; second prize, D. R. Johnson, Winnabow.

Best Duck—First prize, Fred Stevens, Echo Farm; second prize, Will Rehder, Buena Vista Farm.

Best Pigeon—First prize, Jas. E. Holton, 415 So. Fourth street; second prize, Carl Schuster.

Best Rabbit—First prize, Lawrence Schuster.

In addition to the above a number of blue and red ribbons were given by the judges in accordance with the prize list.

ROBBERS AT PROCTORVILLE BREAK INTO MANY PLACES.

Bank, Postoffice, Express Office and Other Places Entered.

Proctorville, N. C., Nov. 16.—Citizens of this town and community have offered a reward of $150 for the apprehension and conviction of the persons guilty of breaking into the Bank of Proctorville, the postoffice, Southern Express office, Atlantic Coast Line depot, Proctorville Drug Company and the store of Mr. W. R. Surles last night. The vault in the bank was not disturbed and it is not believed that the robbers got anything from the institution. The postoffice has missed some stamped envelopes and perhaps some stamps. The store of Mr. W. R. Surles perhaps fared the worst, a quantity of goods being carried away. Some articles were taken from the drug store and all that is missing at the Southern Express office is a quart of whiskey.

The discovery of the robberies created considerable excitement here this morning. It is believed that the robbers were amateurs instead of professionals, probably the same gang which robbed some half dozen business places at Chadbourn a night or two ago, Chadbourn being on the same line of railroad with Proctorville and the distance being about 20 miles. Proctorville is the junction point of the Atlantic Coast Line's Conway branch and the Raleigh & Charleston.

The robberies occurred some time between 10 o'clock last night and daybreak. Mr. Surles' store was open last night until 10 o'clock and so far as known none of the robberies had occurred up to that hour.

Entrance to the places was made through side doors, except at the two stores, which were entered through the front doors.

There had been no arrests made tonight and no clue to the guilty parties.

WANTS NAMES OF WINNERS

County Demonstrator Gives List of Missing Numbers at Corn Show.

County Demonstrator J. P. Herring yesterday issued the following statement to contestants at the Wilmington Corn Show of numbers for which the committee had no names that were awarded prizes:

Names corresponding with the numbers and products listed below have been misplaced and I would thank those holding these numbers to report to me at once so that the records on same may be closed:

Black walnuts, No. 102—First prize.
Black Walnuts, No. 612—Second prize.
Hickory nuts, No. 61—First prize.
Hickory nuts, No. 601—Second prize.
Corn, No. 131—second prize.
Corn, (Blunt's prolific), No. 134—first prize.

CAPT. GILMER PROMOTED.

Former Fort Caswell Officer is Advanced to Higher Rank.

The friends of Capt. E. L. Gilmer, formerly of Fort Caswell, will be glad to learn of his promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel. He is now stationed at El Paso, Texas, with the Tar Heel troops. In a letter to a friend in the city Colonel Gilmer states that he is enjoying the best of health.

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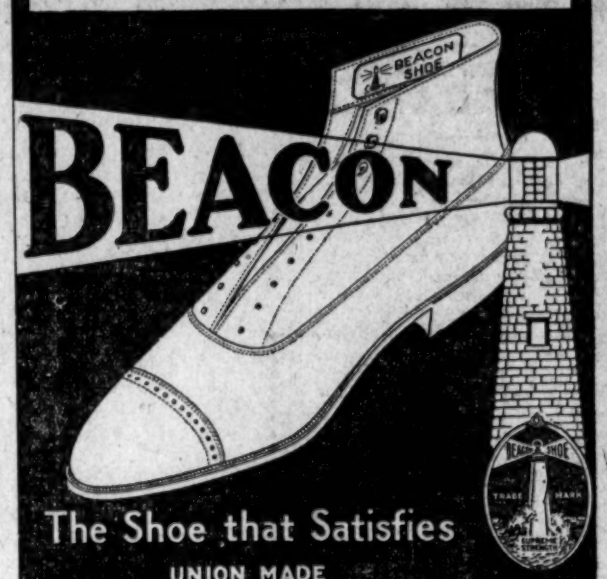

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HIRAM AND CYNTHIA

"GIVE A DOG A BAD NAME"

By Alfred Jackson

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NO, CYNTHY, I AIN'T SPOKEN TO JEFF POTLOCK FOR A YEAR. HE'S TOO FOND O' PRACTICAL JOKES FOR MY TASTE
BING!
OH, HIRAM, I'M SURE HE NEVER DID IT! PLEASE COME ON!
NOW WHAT THE DICKENS IS HE GLARIN' AT ME FOR? WHAT'S UP, ANYWAY?
BAM!
I'M GLAD HE'S GOIN'! I NEVER DID LIKE HIRAM!
I'LL TEACH YER T' PLAY PRACTICAL JOKES ON ME!
THE MAN MUST HA' GONE CRAZY!
HAR-HAR-HAR! HO-HO!
BLUB-BLUB!
GREAT LIGHT DAWNING
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK SPOT AT 20,40

New High Records Established in Futures—General List Irregular at Net Gain of 25 to 28 Points.

New York, Nov. 16.—Early realizing sales were easily absorbed during today's earlier trading on the cotton exchange and new high records were established in the afternoon with May selling at 20.80 or 36 points above last night's closing figures. That delivery closed at 20.72 with the general list closing irregular at net gains of 25 to 28 points on the old crop and of 1 to 4 points on new crop deliveries.

The market opened steady at an advance of 17 points to a decline of 8 points. Early fluctuations were very nervous but trade interests were big buyers and the market developed increased strength and activity during the afternoon on a renewal of bull support, encouraged by reports of strong spot markets. Early sellers covered on the advance, while there was also re-buying by old longs with the market selling up to 20.50 for January and 20.64 for March. At this level realizing again set in and the close showed reactions of 6 or 8 points from the best. It was reported that domestic spinners were calling cotton freely during the day, and much of the trade buying here was supposed to be for this account. Liverpool reported a continued fair demand.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	20.22	20.46	20.18	20.35
Jan.	20.35	20.50	20.19	20.41
March	20.42	20.64	20.30	20.55
May	20.46	20.80	20.45	20.72
July	20.49	20.78	20.46	20.72

Spot cotton steady; middling uplands 20.40; no sales.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 19.63; receipts 9,175; sales 3,305; stock 426,605.

Galveston—Middling 20.25; receipts 8,228; sales 3,521; stock 412,691.

Mobile—Middling 19.62; receipts 18; sales 20; stock 10,382.

Savannah—Middling 19.88; receipts 3,650; sales 1,887; stock 176,023.

Charleston—Middling 19 5-8; receipts 1,644; stock 70,877.

Wilmington—Middling 19.75; receipts 192; stock 52,469.

Texas City—Receipts 12,158.

Norfolk—Middling 19.75; receipts 4,581; sales 2,201; stock 80,512.

Baltimore—Stock 2,167.

Boston—Middling 20.05; receipts 1,083; exports 1,540; stock 6,700.

Philadelphia—Middling 20.65; receipts 44; stock 2,119.

New York—Middling 20.40; receipts 344; exports 2,733; stock 110,549.

Minor Ports—Stock 79,062.

Total today—Receipts 41,117; exports 4,273; stock 1,430,156.

Total for week—Receipts 248,821; exports 119,058.

Total for season—Receipts 3,509,630; exports 2,106,068.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 20.25; receipts 11,263; shipments 11,378; sales 7,401; stock 276,725.

Memphis—Middling 19.75; receipts 9,029; shipments 7,320; sales 5,800; stock 237,529.

Augusta—Middling 19.94; receipts 2,113; shipments 1,638; sales 1,880; stock 135,163.

St. Louis—Receipts 4,986; shipments 8,714; stock 19,871.

Cincinnati—Receipts 1,483; shipments 7,396; stock 7,620.

Little Rock—Middling 20.00; receipts 1,915; shipments 2,092; sales 2,092; stock 54,744.

Dallas—Middling 19.75; sales 6,581.

Montgomery—Middling 19.75; sales 192.

Total today—Receipts 30,789; shipments 27,538; stock 725,652.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Persistent Buying Sends Prices to New High Levels.

New Orleans, Nov. 16.—Persistent buying at times on a large scale, sent the cotton market to new high records today, July trading up to 20.54 and January working up to 19.99, or to within one point of $100 a bale, the highest prices ever known in this future market. Spot prices were lifted 13 points to 19.63 for middling, a new high level. At the best of the day, contracts were 33 to 38 points over yesterday's quotations, a net rise of nearly $2 a bale on the most active months. Toward the close there was a wave of profittaking and last prices were 24 to 29 points up on the official tone of barely steady.

The rise started in Liverpool and early prices here were nearly $1 a bale up. With several small setbacks under realizing the market gradually advanced until late in the day, it was at its highest. Bullish spot accounts, the continued cold weather over the belt, bullish predictions regarding the pending ginning report, small crop estimates, and covering of belated shorts were the factors that worked for the improvement. Closing bid:

December 19.77; January 19.88; March 20.18; May 20.38; July 20.49.

Spot cotton firm 13 points up. Sales on the spot 1,200 bales; to arrive 2,105 bales. Middling 19.63.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Nov. 16.—Spot cotton strong; good middling 12.01; middling 11.91; low middling 11.75. Sales 8,000; including 7,300 American an 800 for speculation and export; receipts 1,000.

Futures very steady: November 11.82; November and December 11.80; December and January 11.80 1-2; January and February 11.86; February and March 11.91; March and April 11.96 1-2; April and May 12.00 1-2; May and June 12.06; June and July, 12.06; July and August 12.06; August and September 11.79; September and October 11.42; October and November 11.29; November and December 11.25.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Nov. 16.—After a higher opening, due to the early strength of lard, the cotton seed oil market turned weaker and at the close was generally 6 to 15 points net lower. Besides selling of May by refiners, there was Western liquidation and an absence of outside support. Sales 32,400 barrels.

Closed steady: Spot 12.55 bid; November 12.55 to 12.55; December 12.64 to 12.67; January 12.64 to 12.65; February 12.64 to 12.68; March 12.70 to 12.72; April 12.70 to 12.72; May 12.75 to 12.76; June 12.75 to 12.84.

WHEAT PRICES WEAKENED

Apparently Unfounded Assertions That President Would Recommend Embargo Have Much Effect.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Apparently unfounded assertions that President Wilson would make recommendations to Congress relative to an embargo on foodstuffs did a good deal to weaken the price of wheat. Closing quotations were heavy at 1 to 2 1-4c net decline with December at 1.35 1-4 to 1.35 3-8, and May at 1.90 7-8 to 1.91 1-8. Corn finished 3-8 to 1-2 off to 1-2 to 5-8c up; oats unchanged, and provisions varying from 5c loss to a rise of 45c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—Dec. 1.85 1-4; May 1.90 7-8.

Corn—December 85 3-4; May 97 1-2.

Oats—December 57 7-8; May 61 7-8.

Pork—January 27.35; May 27.35.

Lard—January 16.32; May 16.32.

Ribs—January 14.45; May 14.57.

Cash Grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red nominal; No. 3 red nominal; No. 2 hard 1.90 3-4 to 1.97; No. 3 hard 1.83 to 1.86.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 1.05; No. 4 yellow 1.00 to 1.01; No. 4 white 1.00 to 1.01.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Marie (Span.), 3,399 tons, Urgelles, Henry Whyte, agent.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Nov. 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—46 1-2c.

ROSIN—$5.60, $5.30.

TAR—$2.60-10½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00, $3.00.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 54½c.; rosin, $5.45 and $5.30; tar, $2.50-11c; crude turpentine, $3.25, $3.25, $2.25.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine .. ..(—)

Rosin .. ..(—)

Tar 13

Crude Turpentine .. ..(—)

Receipts same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 20 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—19¾c.; quotations same day last year, 11¼c.

Receipts—193 bales; same day last year, 931 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 66,855 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 106,090 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

November 16, 1916.

Atlantic Coast Line—192 bales cotton.

Total—192 bales cotton; 13 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Nov. 16.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 60c to 65c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$1.40 to $1.50 per bu.

CORN—$1.90 to $1.95 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22½; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, gross, 2 1-2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green salt, 15c. to 16c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 23 to 25c.; sides and shoulders, 18c. to 19c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX — Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 35c. head.

EGGS—30 to 31c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Nov. 16.—North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers' stock, fancy handpicked, $1.00; No. 1 machine, 93c. per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 66c; fancy handpicked, 60c; No. 1 machine picked, 55c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.10; Jumbos, $1.00 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., November 16. — Spanish—Farmers' stock: Market weak. New stock, $1.25 per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock: Market firm.

New stock—Fancy Jumbo, 4c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3¾c. per lb.; Prime, 3½c. per lb.; Shelling stock, 3c. to 3¼c. per lb.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Nov. 16.—Beeves, no trading. Calves—Steady; veals 10.00 to 14.50; culls 8.00 to 9.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady; sheep, ewes 6.00 to 7.00; culls 3.00 to 4.00; lambs 11.50 to 12.30; culls 8.00 to 10.00.

Hogs—Steady; light to heavy 9.50 to 10.15; roughs 8.75.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Nov. 16.—Turpentine firm 47; sales 196; receipts 294; shipments 5; stock 19,870.

Rosin—Firm; sales 1,028; receipts 1,279; shipments 550; stock 78,163. Quote: A B C D, 6.30; E F G H, 6.35; I K M, 6.40; N, 6.60; WG, 6.80; WW, 7.10.

Trinity College, N. C., Nov. 16.—The Seniors defeated the Freshmen in basketball last night by a score of 39 to 27, winning the inter-class championship for the year. Other games are scheduled for the near future before the 'varsity schedule is taken up next month.

Solve That Fuel Problem.

Get a gas heater. Prices from $2.00 up.—adv.

NEW RECORDS IN STOCKS

Market Extravagant and Active in an Unusual Degree—Up-Swing Embraces Variety of Issues

New York, Nov. 16.—Trading in today's market was extravagant and active to a degree rarely surpassed in any previous bull movement of the last two years. There were no unexpected developments to explain the movement, which received much of its impulse from a confident public and the usual professional sources.

The up-swing embraced an unusual number and variety of issues, many of a purely speculative character. There was a better inquiry for rails though advances were relatively nominal and not well maintained. More than a score of stocks achieved new maximums, foremost among these being Gulf States Steel, common, which rose 34 points to 193 with 33 for the second preferred at 190. A large part of this gain was surrendered later.

Other high records included Lackawanna Steel at 105, Sloss Sheffield Steel at 93 1-4, Republican Iron at 87 3-4, several of the more prominent coppers such as Ananconda Chino and Inspiration, Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies, Corn products preferred, American Writing Paper preferred, Pressed Steel Car, Detroit United Railways and Smelters Securities preferred "B."

In these and kindred issues, gross advances ran from fractions to three and even five points, with 1 to 2 for Pacifics, Grangers and trunk lines. Minor rails were irregular, but mainly higher, Chicago and Alton common and preferred improving by 3 to almost 7 points. United States Steel held its leadership but closed at only a net fractional gain. Central leather regained a large part of its recent decline, at an extreme gain of 5 1-2 points.

Bonds were strong. Total sales par value $6,690,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	31⅝
American Beet Sugar	102⅝
American Can	65⅞
American Car and Foundry	71⅝
American Cotton Oil, ex. div	53
American Locomotive	93⅞
American Smelting	113⅜
American Sugar	118⅝
American Tel and Tel	133¼
American Tobacco	223½
American Zinc	59¼
Anaconda Copper	101¼
Atchison	104⅞
Atlantic Coast Line	B.121
Baldwin Locomotive	86⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	86⅛
Bethlehem Steel	655
Canadian Pacific	171½
Central Leather	113¼
Chesapeake and Ohio	67⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	73
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	22⅞
Consolidated Gas	137
Corn Products	23¼
Crucible Steel	90⅝
Erie	36⅝
General Electric	183½
Great Northern, pfd	118⅝
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	44½
Goodrich	69¼
Illinois Central	105⅝
Int. Mer. Marine, pfd. ctfs	120
Kansas City Southern	26
Lehigh Valley	21 1-2
Louisville and Nashville	B.132
Liggett and Meyers	B.287
Gulf States Steel	183
Gulf State Steel, 1st pfd	107
Gulf State Steel, 2nd pfd	180
Lorillard Co	B.225
Maxwell Motors	77
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	18⅜
Missouri Pacific	10
Mexican Petroleum	109
National Lead	69⅝
New York Central	107¾
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	58½
Norfolk and Western	139¾
Northern Pacific	111
Pennsylvania	56⅝
Reading	108⅝
Rep. Iron and Steel	86⅝
Seaboard Air Line	16⅝
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	38
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	91
Studebaker Corp	126¼
Southern Pacific	99⅝
Southern Railway	27
Southern Railway, pfd	67¾
Tennessee Copper	23⅜
Texas Co	228½
Texas and Pacific	18⅛
Union Pacific	148⅛
United Fruit	162¼
United States Rubber	60¼
United States Steel	123½
United States Steel, pfd	121⅝
Utah Copper	119½
Virginia-Caro. Chem	45⅝
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	64⅝
Wabash, Pfd., "B"	29⅝
Western Union	101⅝
Westinghouse Electric	65¼
Kennecott Copper	57⅝
American Zinc, pfd	83

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Nov. 16.—Mercantile paper 3 1-2; Sterling 60 day bills 4.71 1-2; commercial bills 60 days on banks, 4.70 3-4; commercial 60 day bills 4.70 1-2; demand 4.75 5-8; cables 4.76 7-16. Bar silver 71 3-8; Mexican dollars 55; government bonds steady; railroad bonds strong. Time loans easier, 60 days 3 to 3 1-4; 90 days and six months 3 1-4 to 3 1-2. Call money steady; ruling rate 2 1-2.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Hogs, steady at 10 cents under yesterday's average; bulk 9.00 to 9.70; light 8.40 to 9.60; mixed 9.00 to 9.85; heavy 9.20 to 9.90; rough 9.20 to 9.40; pigs 6.25 to 8.25.

Cattle—Slow; native beef cattle 6.30 to 12.05; western steers 6.60 to 10.25; stockers and feeders 4.75 to 7.90; cows and heifers 3.75 to 9.50; calves 8.75 to 12.50.

Sheep—Weak; wethers 7.90 to 9.00; ewes 4.35 to 7.80; lambs 9.00 to 11.85.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Nov. 16.—Raw sugar steady; centrifugal 6.40; molasses 5.53; refined steady.

Coffee—Spot quiet; Rio 7s, 9 1-4; Santos 4s, 10 1-2.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Nov. 16.—Cotton goods were firm and there was more activity in sheetings. Yarns were very firm. Carpets and rugs advanced. Raw silk closed higher.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

November 17, 1916.

Meteorological data for the day ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 29 degrees; at 8 P. M., 38 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean, 36 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .35 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 2.6 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Fair weather and rising temperature Friday and Saturday.

The Port Calendar, Nov. 17, 1916.

Sun rises .. .. .6:47 A. M.

Sun sets .. .. .5:07 P. M.

Day's length .. .. .10 hrs. 20 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	2:46	3:15	10:02	10:52
Southport	12:24	12:52	6:56	7:37
Masonboro Inl	12:13	12:41	6:36	7:17

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

November 16, 1916.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.M.
Abilene	clear	62	28	.0
Asheville	clear	42	18	.0
Atlanta	clear	46	24	.0
Augusta	clear	48	28	.0
Baltimore	clear	40	—	.0
Birmingh	clear	48	22	.0
Birmingh	clear	48	22	.0
Boston	clear	38	28	.0
Charleston	clear	46	32	.0
Charlotte	clear	42	24	.0
Chicago	cldy	40	22	.0
Galveston	clear	56	44	.0
Jacksonv	clear	50	34	.0
Memphis	clear	54	30	.0
Mobile	clear	52	32	.0
Montgom'y	clear	52	28	.0
New Orl.	clear	52	36	.0
New York	clear	40	28	.0
Oklahoma	clear	64	34	.0
Palestine	clear	64	36	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	32	18	.0
Raleigh	clear	42	24	.0
Savannah	clear	50	34	.0
Shreveport	clear	64	32	.0
St. Louis	clear	54	26	.0
Washing'n	clear	36	24	.0

TWO PER CENT DIVIDEND

First Declared by Chesapeake & Ohio Since November, 1914.

New York, Nov. 16.—The Chesapeake & Ohio railroad today declared a dividend of two per cent., payable December 30. This is the road's first dividend since November, 1914, when one per cent was declared.

Solve That Fuel Problem.

Get a gas heater. Prices from $2.00 up.—adv.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

The undersigned having this day qualified as Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Henry Arthur Burr, deceased, we hereby give notice to all persons having claims against our said Testator to present the same to the undersigned, or any one of them, on or before the 10th day of November, 1917, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

Dated this November 9th, 1916.

AUSTIN H. BURR,
FREDERICK S. BURR,
HENRY A. BURR, JR.,
MASON G. BURR,
Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Henry Arthur Burr, deceased.
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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

The Progressive Railway of the South.

Bulletin of Special Round-Trip Rates from Wilmington, N. C.

**PALATKA, FLA .. ..

N. Y. SHIPBUILDING COMPANY IS SOLD

New Owners Propose to Further Aims of Bankers and Shippers in Extending Trade.

TO FORM NEW CORPORATION

Purchasers of the Plant at Camden, N. J., Plan to Make Improvements to Materially Increase Its Capacity.

New York, Nov. 16. — The American International Corporation, in conjunction with the International Mercantile Marine Company, the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and W. R. Grace and Company, for many years prominent in South American trade, have purchased the properties of the New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden, N. J. The acquisition of this company is in furtherance of the aims of American banking and shipping interests in foreign coutries.

The purchasers of the shipbuilding company intend to organize a new corporation to take over its assets and property in which the majority interest will be owned by the companies named.

In announcing the purchase today, the new owners stated that the New York Shipbuilding Company's plant appealed to them because of its location, equipment and general adaptability to large scale production. Improvements materially to increase the capacity of the plant are planned. The company, it is stated, has contracts sufficient to fill the present capacity for the coming year.

The New York Shipbuilding Company was incorporated in New Jersey in 1899. Its outstanding stock amounts to $5,000,000, and its bonded debt to $2,300,000. The interests previously in control were mainly capitalists of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

WHY MAN IS THE STRONGER

It is Only Because Women Wish Him To Be.

(Philadelphia Evening Ledger).

It is strange that no man envies us; that you never hear one of these lords of creation bemoaning the fact that he was born a man and not a woman. Time and again women will rail against the supposed handicap of their sex. Without so much as a protest they let the poet write about man as "the noblest work of God." It never so much as occurred to them to dispute or deny it.

It is refreshing and no less uprising, then, to find in one of the current magazines, the Unpopular Review, an article on the joy of being a woman.

Men are geniuses, the writer contends, merely because women permit them to be. Women lose nothing by this generosity, since it is infinitely more gratifying more soul-satisfying, to have evolved his philosophy. Woman deliberately and with malice aforethought permitted herself to be saddled with a reputation for weakness so that man might grow strong enough to be considered a worthy mate for her.

"Man is a timorous, self-distrustful creature," the author writes, "who would never have discovered his powers if not stimulated by woman's weakness.

"Women, conscious how they hold men's welfare in their hands, simply do not dare to discover how strong they might be if they tried, because they have so far used their physical weakness not only as a means of arousing men's good activities, but also as a means of turning to nobler directions their bad ones. Men are naturally acquisitive, impelled to work for gain and gold. Unable to deter them from this impulse, we let them support us, preserving for their sakes the fiction that we are too frail to support ourselves."

LARGER ATTENDANCE AT FAIR AT LUMBERTON EXPECTED TODAY

Favorable Weather is All That is Needed to Make it a Big Success.

(By Long Distance Telephone).

Lumberton, N. C., Nov. 16.—On account of the cold weather the attendance at the Robeson County Fair was small again today ,but a larger attendance is expected during the remaining days of the event. Many additional exhibits of livestock came in tonight. All that is lacking to make the fair a most gratifying success is "fair" weather; that is, weather that will induce people to turn out instead of such weather as to keep them at once. The exhibits in all lines are exceptionally creditable to the county.

WEAK AND TIRED WOMAN

Tells How Vinol Made Her Strong.

Wilmington women who are weak, run-down and suffer from the consequent effects of such a condition, will be interested in Mrs. Odell's letter. She says:

"I am a farmer's wife and was all run-down, weak, tired, and suffered from indigestion, and sometimes it seemed as though I could not keep around and do my housework. I had taken many medicines without benefit. One day I saw Vinol advertised, and made up my mind to try it. I have taken four bottles and have gained seven pounds in weight, am much stronger, and feel many years younger than before."—Sarah Odell, Lockport, N. Y.

The reason Vinol builds up weak, run-down women so quickly is because it contains a delicious combination of most successful tonics, beef and cod liver peptones, iron and manganese peptonates and glycerophosphates, in a mild tonic wine.

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BURIED MONEY.

Story of Notes Hidden in Woman's Clothing.

(London Observer.)

A sequel to the Royal Army Clothing Factory frauds was seen at Bow street yesterday, when Charles Barnes, Burrard road, West Kensington, a retired publican, was committed for trial on a charge arising out of the recent conviction of Asseling at the Old Bailey. When Asseling was committed for trial, George William Bristow became his surety in 250 pounds; and it was alleged that defendant conspired with Asseling, Mr. Bristow and others to indemnify Mr. Bristow in respect of his liability.

Mr. Muir said defendant stood bail for Asseling in 250 pounds throughout the hearings at Bow street. When Asseling was committed ofr trial a second surety in 250 pounds was required. Barnes thereupon went to Mr. Bristow, a jobbing builder, at West Hampstead, and asked him to stand bail for Asseling in that sum.

Mr. Bristow, who had never seen Asseling, refused, but agreed to stand if Barnes would give him his own cheque for 250 pounds to indemnify him.

Barnes did so, and next day he and Mr. Bristow bailed out Asseling at Bow street. After Asseling's conviction, Mr. Bristow returned the 250 pounds to Barnes.

Barnes was related to Asseling, and had himself been practically indemnified. Some months ago, calling on Mr. and Mrs. Geary, of Hitchin, he told them he was taking care of a large sum of money in notes and gold for a man. The notes, he said, were being kept in his wife's bustle. On September 21 Barnes told the Gearys he was worried, as he had been asked to meet Detective-Inspector Crutchett. He explained that the money he was minding belonged to Asseling. He had buried the notes in a tin, he said, and if he paid gold into a bank he would be asked how he got it.

On this Mr. Geary gave information to the police.

In the evidence for the prosecution, it was stated that nearly all payments to the credit of prisoner's banking account this year were in coin or Treasury notes.

Mr. Geary related that prisoner once said Asseling's money in notes and gold was buried in his chicken run. Mrs. Geary added that she advised prisoner to "trust in the name of God and out with everything."

Mr. Muir: "What did he say to that?"—"I think he was very much that way inclined."

Mrs. Geary also said prisoner told her some of Asseling's notes were buried in a tin box in his cellar. Half of one note, he said, had been nibbled away by a mouse.

In committing prisoner, who pleaded "Not guilty," for trial, bail in 250 pounds was accepted.

HE FIRED THE LAST SHOT

Ohio Civil War Veteran Claims a Unique Distinction.

(Columbus, Ohio, Dispatch).

A man is still living in Columbus who claims to have fired the last shot of the war of the rebellion—David N. Oyor.

He was a member of Company F, Ninth Ohio Cavalry. On the morning of April 17, 1865, that command was near Durham Station, N. C. It was keeping ly close watch on Gen. Joe Wheeler's cavalry, which was on the opposite side of an extensive swamp. Part of the Union cavalry was ordered to dismount and wade across the swamp to district the Confederates while the rest constructed a corduroy bridge. They used their carbines so vigorously that the Confederates surmised that a very considerable force was coming at them and the road builders got along fine with their bridge.

Near the other edge of the swamp Oyser says a Confederate bullet just clipped his sergeant's chevron and the skin on his arm. Looking for the source of the bullet, he spied the long barrel of a gun and the gray legs of a Confederate soldier in the forks of a tree in front of him, and he fired at them. He saw the legs withdrawn and the owner of them crawl slowly away.

Just then a flag of truce came in sight, and the Union men were ordered to cease firing. The occurrence, Oyser says, did not impress him at the time, but the flag of truce was really the sign of the end of the rebellion, for the general surrender came soon and the troops were sent home.

A strange part of the story is that long after the war Oyser met at Birmingham, Ala., a man named Amos Thompsno, who was laem and said he was wounded in the Confederate service and, comparing notes, they established to the satisfaction of both that Thampson, who was lame and same he tree on the edge of the Durham swamp back in 1865, had shot at Oyser and been shot at in turn by him. Oyser's bullet struck Thompson in the knee and made him a criple for life. They agreed that they had fired the very last shot on each side in the Civil War.

"LITTLE NELL"

A Dickens Story in Real Life in Modern London.

(London Observer)

A pretty little girl, aged nine, Edith Agnes Maud Trenary, was brought up at the Guildhall Juvenile Court yesterday on a charge of wandering, not under proper guardianship. She was accompanied by her father, a tall, gaunt, sad-looking man.

About 3:50 one morning a policeman found this pathetic couple in a Lockhart coffee house. Asked what he was doing there with a little child at that hour, he replied that he had no home his wife left him seven years ago, and they had been walking about the streets all night since ten o'clock.

It was found that the child had been living with her mother till a week ago, when she broke up the home and sent the child to the father, telling him he must keep her. The father was an excellent pianist and linguist, but his mind was unhinged by his wife's conduct.

"I have a private income," said the man. "I have estates and my people have large estates in Scotland and France. I am not mentally incapacitated."

It was suggested that the child should be adopted by the guardian, and a remand was ordered.

CITADEL DEFEATS CLEMSON 3 TO 0 IN ANNUAL STRUGGLE

Orangeburg, S. C., Nov. 16.—Citadel defeated Clemson 3 to 0 in their annual football game here today. Weeks kicked a field goal from the 13-yard line in the third period. The teams were evenly matched. In the last period Clemson threatened to score. Weeks' runs from kick formation and his forward passing were features.

For Stylish Furs go to C. H. Fore & Co.—(adv.)

YOUNG ORRELL BADLY HURT IN AUTOMOBILE COLLISION.

Unavoidable Accident on Chestnut Street Causes His Injury.

Fred Hudler Orrell, the 15-year-old son of Mrs. Lillie H. Orrell, No. 606 Orange street, was badly hurt when he collided while riding a bicycle with the big touring car of Mr. C. Van Leuven. The accident occurred yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock at Fifth and Chestnut streets. Mr. Van Leuven had his machine under perfect control and stopped almost immediately. Young Orrell, who is employed in the Atlantic Coast Line offices, was riding down Fifth avenue on his return to his work and Mr. Van Leuven was coming up Chestnut. Neither saw the other until it was too late to avoid the collision.

Young Orrell was removed to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Graham Farmer on Chestnut, between Fifth and Sixth. Dr. J. Buren Sidbury rendered the necessary surgical aid. While the young man is badly bruised, no bones apparently were fracured and it is hoped that his injuries are not serious. He is still at the home of Mr. Farmer and was reported last night as resting comfortably.

LOST ILLUSIONS

London Girls' Failure As Farm Workers.

(London Observer)

The Wiltshire War Agricultural Committee have decided to close down the training school for girl farm workers at Shaw for the present, the result having been wholly disappointing.

Mr. Stratton, at a meeting of the committee, said very few pupils stuck to the work. Women could be taught to drive milk carts or horses quite easily, but the monotony of actual milking became dreadful. London girls could not stand it.

When these girls came from London to the country, he observed, their imagination was of lovety green fields, shady trees and, in the near future, a colonial farm life with their soldier correspondent. But it all ended when they got to the actual life of the farm with its mud, filth and clouds.

Mr. Rogers, the Board of Agriculture representative, said that most of the girls were of a "flighty" disposition. Country girls turned out well, but town girls had not been able to face the loneliness and monotony of country life.

Miss Oliver declared that London girls were their best pupils at the training school, but they did not like the work they went on to the farms.

Reference was also made to the difficulty of finding suitable accommodation for girls in country cottages, and to the need of supervision in cases where girls were living in cottages by themselves.

FARMER EARNS $1,000 A DAY

Long Island Potato Grower Uses Trucks to Handle Crops

(Riverhead (L. I.) dispatch to Brooklyn Eagle)

Big stories are being told in eastern Long Island almost daily about the "wonderful amount of money" some of the farmers are receiving for their produce this year, and some of the best of these pleasant stories are found at the wholesale markets in Riverhead. Glancing at the potato market this morning it appears that one man delivered over $1,000 worth of potatoes a day for several days.

This man was Chauncey H. Young, of Riverhead, who has a large and fine farm about five miles from the village He is a young man zut considered one of the most progressive farmers in a town that is full of such men.

This year he purcnased a motor truck to bring potatoes to market. For two or three days he had delivered 1,000 bushels a day, and as the price is $1.30 a busmel or better—it fluctuates almost daily, but mostly fluctuates upward—it is easily figured what his daily cash receipts have been.

Mr. Young has nearly 1,000 acres in potatoes. He expects to market at least 16,000 bushels. And as a sort of side line he has a fine crop of cauliflower, which is likewise bringing good money.

No, there are no abandoned farms in this section, nor any that can be picked up for a song. And it is also said to be equally true that farming on this scale and for such prices isn't any hit or miss affair—it is the result of close attention to soil, fertility, seed and many other things all managed on a real business basis.

MR. BENSON PASSES

Wilmington Man Gets License From Pharmaceutical Board.

The many friends of Mr. E. S. Benson, of this city, will be glad to learn that he was one of the successful candidates who passed the North Carolina Pharmeecutical Board last week. He is now located with Schutt's Pharmacy at Sixteenth and Market streets. Mr. Benson is one of Wilmington's brightest young men, and his friends predict for him a successful career in his chosen profession.

Twenty Cents at Montgomery.

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 16.—Twenty cents per pound for cotton was paid in the local market today for the first time in more than 50 years, 192 bales of lint bringing $21,696.

Macon, Ga., Nov. 16.—After the sale here today of 8,000 bales of cotton at 20 cents a pound, the staple was quoted at 20 1-8, the highest prices in many years.

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONGRESS NORFOLK, VA. DECEMBER 11th TO 14th.

The theme of the Congress will be "The Changed Outlook," and the "International Reconstruction Resulting from the European War." Many cabinet officers and other important personages of national and international fame will be present, and President Wilson is expected.

Every Southerner should lend a hand, at least by his presence and imbibing and profiting by what he will learn, in helping the Nation, through this important Congress, in its efforts to build commercial relations with the Western Hemisphere and other matters of equal importance which will be discussed.

Co-ordinating organizations which will meet at the same time are: Woman's Auxiliary of the Congress; House of Southern Governors; American Commission on Agricultural Organization; National Association of Commissioners of Agriculture, and Southern Commercial Secretaries' Association.

For this occasion the Atlantic Coast Line will sell excursion tickets to Norfolk at $7.55 from Wilmington, and at correspondingly reduced fares from all points on its line, for all trains on December 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, limited returning until December 19.

Sleeping car reservations and further information may be obtained from T. C. White, General Passenger Agent, Wilmington, N. C. 'Phone 160.

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PHONE 150 AND ASK FOR O. P. STUC-key, "The Stove Doctor," and let him repair and install your stoves. He can make your old stoves good as new. O. P. Stuckey, "The man who knows." no17-1t*

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WANTED — YOUNG MAN FOR CLER-ical position. Only those having experience in office work need apply. State age and experience. Address "Clerical," care of Star. no17-1t

BIGGEST POTATO OF SEASON GROWN HERE BY MR. JONES

Eight and One-Half Pounder Gives New Hanover Man First Place

Pender county will have to go away "back and sit down" when it comes to producing champion sweet potato growers. For although it may have produced the eighth wonder of the world in that line, as announced in yesterday's Star, Mr. S. A. Jones, of Seagate, a locomotive engineer by vocation and an agriculturist by avocation, has grown the biggest sweet potato in the State this year. It is eight inches in diameter, about two feet in circumference, and weighs just eight and one-half pounds. Pender county's big potato grown by Mr. W. W. Pearsall, at his place at Rocky Point, weighed six pounds, eight ounces.

Mr. Jones attributes the remarkable size of his prize potato to the judicious use of commercial fertilizer. Unlike most very large potatoes, it is round and smooth, has a fine flavor, and was grown in a single season. Many large potatoes are grown for two seasons, that is, they are given two seasons to mature. If this is done the potato is of very little use for edible purposes and is irregular in shape. Large potatoes are nothing unusual in Mr. Jones' patch, for he recently exhibited a finely-shaped seven-pounder at the Corn Show. He states that his patch would average 300 bushels to the acre, if it were that large. The wonder potato is of a Cuban variety.

WILMINGTON CONVOCATION IS IN SESSION AT CLINTON.

Many Local Clergymen and Laymen Are in Attendance on Sessions.

An interesting programme was carried out at the Convocation of Wilmington which is in session this week at St. Paul's Episcopal church at Clinton. Many local clergymen and laymen are in attendance.

The meeting began on Tuesday night and will last through today. On Tuesday night Bishop Thomas C. Darst of the Diocese of East Carolina, preached and was assisted in the service by other members of the visiting clergy. Bishop Darst delighted his congregation. There are a number of visiting clergy, laymen and laywomen. Among the clergy are Bishop Darst, Revs. T. P. Noe, E. deF. Heald, W. R. Noe, and G. F. Hill, of Wilmington; Rev. Archer Boogher, of Fayetteville; Rev. C. H. Jordan, of Williamston; Rev. B. F. Huske, of New Bern. Mesdames James, Woolvin, Northrup, French, Tapp, Toomee, Hewlett, Adams and Berry of Wilmington, and Mrs. H. M. Bonner, of New Bern.

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